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# LOST UNIVERSE 3



MILLY!  
COULD YOU AT  
LEAST TRY NOT  
TO DESTROY THE  
KITCHEN EVERY  
TIME YOU FIX  
SOMETHING  
TO EAT!?

Great!

GRUB'S UP,  
GANG! COME  
AND GET IT!  
♡

THEN AT  
LEAST REPAIR  
THE DAMAGE  
ONCE YOU'RE  
FINISHED,  
PLEASE!!

HEY,  
THIS AIN'T  
HALF BAD!  
DID YOU HELP  
MAKE THIS,  
ANISE?

HEY!  
WHAT'S THAT  
SUPPOSED  
TO MEAN?

WELL,  
AS LONG AS  
YOU DON'T PICK  
UP MILLY'S  
COOKING  
HABITS...

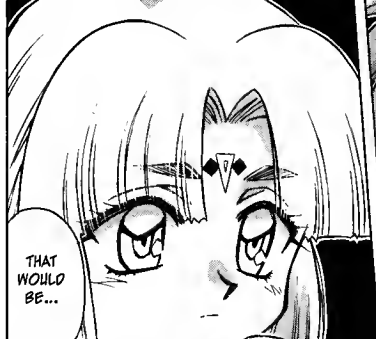
...ALL I  
DID WAS  
SET THE  
TABLE...

I NEED  
YOU TO  
START FILLING  
IN SOME  
BLANKS.

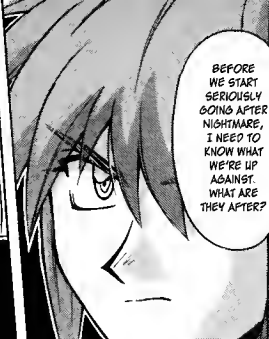
CLATTER

ALRIGHT...  
CANAL,





THAT  
WOULD  
BE...



BEFORE  
WE START  
SERIOUSLY  
GOING AFTER  
NIGHTMARE,  
I NEED TO  
KNOW WHAT  
WE'RE UP  
AGAINST.  
WHAT ARE  
THEY AFTER?



....PFFT.



...WORLD  
DOMINATION.



Wh-!?



?

I CAN'T  
EVEN SAY  
I'M ONE-  
HUNDRED  
PERCENT  
SURE WE'LL  
BE ABLE TO  
PUT A STOP  
TO THEM!

FOR ALL  
WE KNOW,  
THEY MAY  
ALREADY HAVE  
BEGUN THEIR  
KILLING SPREE-  
AND USING  
OTHER LOST  
SHIPS JUST  
LIKE ME TO  
DO IT, TOO!

THIS  
IS NO  
LAUGHING  
MATTER!

....OH....

Hoo,  
that's a  
good one,  
Canal!

Ow,  
it hurts,  
it hurts!

Oh,  
my belly!

**Bwa  
ha ha  
ha ha!**  
W... World  
domi-  
nation!?

PLEASE,  
FORGIVE ME.  
YOU'VE OFFERED  
ME YOUR HELP,  
AND YET I...

...OH...  
MY...

**AAGH!**

I BARELY  
EVEN GET  
ONE AS  
IS!

MILLY!!  
THAT'S  
COMING  
OUT OF  
YOUR  
PAYCHECK!

ALRIGHT,  
YOU TWO.  
THAT'S  
ENOUGH.

Why,  
I-!

I know, right?  
The Canal we  
know is a great,  
big, spoiled  
brat!

Aw,  
what's matter  
Canal?  
This isn't  
like you

.....

IN FACT,  
I ALMOST FEEL  
INCLINED TO GO AND  
PAY HER A PERSONAL  
VISIT TO THANK HER  
FOR THIS SCAR SHE  
GAVE ME.

MY  
BOTTOMLESS  
HAİRED FOR  
HER BORE ME  
MOST EXCELLENT  
HEALING  
POWERS.

OH, YES.  
YES, IT  
HAS...

HAS THAT  
WOUND OF  
YOURS HEALED,  
"SPREADER OF  
DARKNESS?"

I SEE.

...THAT CONCLUDES  
GAZER  
CONCERN'S  
FISCAL REPORT  
FOR THIS MONTH.

AND  
WHAT OF  
THE SWORD  
BREAKER'S  
WHEREABOUTS?

I'M  
AFRAID  
THAT'S...  
STILL BEING  
LOOKED  
INTO ...

HEH...  
SO SHE'S  
STILL ON  
THE RUN...



... "NIGHTMARE"  
HAS A NEW FOCUS.  
WE WILL CONCENTRATE  
OUR EFFORTS INTO  
POOLING OUR  
RESOURCES AND  
SHOWING THE GALAXY  
THE FULL EXTENT OF  
OUR POWER.

CHANGE  
OF PLANS.  
THE GAZER  
CONCERN...  
OR SHOULD  
I SAY...

SO THE TIME  
HAS COME  
AT LAST.



ARE YOU  
FRIGHTENED?  
SURELY YOU MUST  
KNOW THE ONLY  
WAY TO REVEAL  
OUR MIGHT IS TO  
FULLY DEVOUR ALL  
WHICH STANDS  
IN OUR WAY.

LAUNCH  
ATTACK FORCES  
TO EVERY  
PLANET IN THE  
GALAXY.

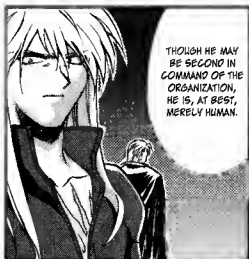


WELL,  
YES, THE  
ARRANGEMENTS  
ARE IN ORDER,  
BUT ...

...B... BUT  
THAT WOULD  
TURN THE  
ENTIRE GALAXY  
AGAINST...!







THOUGH HE MAY  
BE SECOND IN  
COMMAND OF THE  
ORGANIZATION,  
HE IS, AT BEST,  
MERELY HUMAN.



...NEVER MIND.  
I'LL ORDER  
ALL FLEETS  
TO LAUNCH  
IMMEDIATELY.

7/11  
G.A.O.N.



HMPH!

SAY NO  
MORE.



AND  
SHOULD THERE  
BE A REPEAT  
OCCURRENCE  
OF YOUR LAST  
FAILURE—

I WILL  
LEAVE THE  
ONE WHO  
IMPEDES  
OUR  
DESIGNS,  
VOLFIED,  
TO YOU.





PATROL  
SHIP 3,  
DESTROYED!

PATROL  
SHIP 12  
HAS BEEN  
HIT!

ENEMY  
SHIPS  
CLOSING  
IN FROM  
ABOVE TO  
PORT!!

DAMN IT ALL!  
SINCE  
WHEN HAS  
NIGHTMARE  
HAD AN  
OFFENSIVE  
FORCE LIKE  
THIS...!?

I  
HOPE  
I'M  
WRONG...

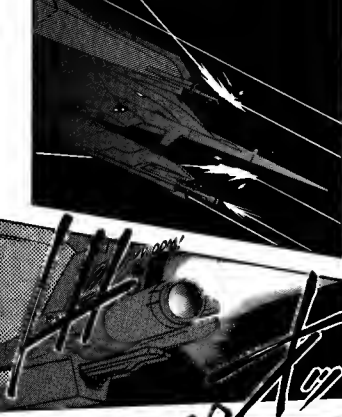
THE  
UNIVERSAL  
FORCE IS  
FINISHED.  
NIGHTMARE  
HAS...

BUT IF THIS  
SHIP REALLY IS  
INVOLVED WITH  
THE INCIDENT  
IN THE VERMUS  
STAR SYSTEM...

THE PATROL  
SHIPS WON'T  
HOLD OUT FOR  
MUCH LONGER.  
WE NEED  
TO MAKE A  
GETAWAY...

THE UNIVERSAL  
FORCE ISN'T  
RESPONDING TO  
OUR DISTRESS  
SIGNALS!





WE'VE GOT  
TROUBLE OVER  
HERE! I'M PICKING  
UP SIGNS THAT  
SOMEONE'S  
CRACKING INTO  
THE UNIVERSAL  
GUARDIANS'  
COMMAND  
SYSTEMS. ALL  
OF THEM!

WHAT?  
GAZER  
CONCERN  
!?

AND  
THERE'S MORE!  
NIGHTMARE'S  
RAIDING SEVERAL  
OF OUR US BRANCH  
OFFICES AND  
OCCUPYING THEM  
AS WE SPEAK!

THERE MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
SOME SECRET  
CARD THEY'D  
BEEN HOLDING  
OUT ON ALL  
THIS TIME.

AH...  
BUT NOT  
EVEN GAZER  
CONCERN HAS  
UNLIMITED  
RESOURCES  
AT ITS  
DISPOSAL.

SIR?

NIGHTMARE'S  
LAUNCHING A  
SIMULTANEOUS  
ATTACK  
ON ALL  
PLANETS!?

I CAN THINK  
OF ONLY ONE  
CRAFT THAT  
WOULD HAVE  
THE KIND  
OF FIREPOWER  
NECESSARY TO  
BLAST AN ENTIRE  
PLANET CLEAN  
IN HALF...  
ONE OF THE  
LOST SHIPS...

HUH?

OH...  
WAIT,  
SO YOU  
MEAN...

THERE SEEMED  
TO BE SOME  
EVIDENCE BACKING  
THAT UP DURING THE  
INCIDENT WITH THE  
SIXTH PLANET IN THE  
VENUS STAR SYSTEM  
NOT TOO LONG AGO,  
AS WELL.





...THAT'S  
A VERY  
GOOD  
QUESTION.



TH...

MAYBE WE'LL GET  
LUCKY AND SOME  
INVINCIBLE HERO  
WILL SHOW UP TO  
SAVE THE WORLD  
FROM DEVASTATION?

...SIR?



I'M AFRAID  
THAT'S  
NOT TOO  
LIKELY.

...HAH  
HAH.

PSHOO



OH, UM,

I THINK  
IT WOULD  
BE KIND OF  
EXCITING IF YOU  
COULD BE THE  
HERO, MISTER  
RAILE, SIR.



NINA, GET YOUR  
STUPID HEAD OUT  
OF THE CLOUDS  
AND BACK ON  
THE GROUND!  
CAN'T YOU  
SEE HOW  
SWAMPED  
WE ARE RIGHT  
NOW!?

OH,  
I SEE...

Oh, no sir,  
not you  
just some  
interesting  
chatter

**WAA**  
~~~~~  
**AH!**

Pshoo

MORNIN'.  
|  
WHEN'D  
WE TAKE  
OFF?

AW, DON'T  
BE SO BASHFUL.  
WE'RE PARTNERS,  
REMEMBER?



brucha  
brucha

Y... YOU IDIOT!  
DON'T COME  
WALTZIN' OUT  
HERE IN YOUR  
UNDERWEAR!!

MM?

HI THERE,  
MISS.



I'VE  
INVITED  
MYSELF  
OVER.



Mmm...  
Beautiful.

BUT THAT'S TO  
BE EXPECTED,  
KAIN, MY LOVE.

BECAUSE  
SHE DOESN'T  
SEE YOU  
AS A MAN,  
OBVIOUSLY.

HEY!  
WHY'S HE  
GET THAT  
KIND OF  
REACTION  
AND I  
DON'T!?

DO YOU  
WANT  
ME TO  
SLIT YOUR  
THROAT?



WHAT?  
YOU'RE A  
CLIENT?

YEAH, YEAH.  
WHATEVER  
YOU SAY,  
INSPECTOR  
RAILE, "SIR."

OH? IS THAT  
ANY WAY TO  
TREAT A PAYING  
CUSTOMER?



I'D  
TELL YOU,  
BUT THEN  
I'D HAVE  
TO KILL  
YOU.

MUSEUM?  
WHAT DO YOU  
WANT TO GO  
TO A MUSEUM  
FOR?

WHAT WITH  
ALL THIS HUBBUB  
INVOLVING  
NIGHTMARE LATELY,  
NO ONE FROM  
THE UG HAS BEEN  
ABLE TO GIVE  
ME A LIFT.

YOU'VE GOT IT.  
I ACTUALLY  
NEED YOU TO  
GIVE ME A  
RIDE TO THE  
UNIVERSAL  
GUARDIAN'S  
"MUSEUM."

SHUFFLE  
SHUFFLE

You're the  
one who  
shoved her  
off on me  
'cause you  
screwed up  
your own  
damn job!!

OH,  
ISN'T THAT  
SWEET?  
I SEE  
YOU'VE  
TRANSITIONED  
NICELY INTO  
THE DADDY  
ROLE.



I FIGURED  
A TRIP LIKE  
THIS MIGHT  
BE JUST THE  
THING TO GET  
HER SPIRITS  
BACK UP.

HUH?  
OH, WELL...  
IT'S NOT  
FOR ME.  
IT'S FOR  
ANISE.

ACCEPTING  
A JOB JUST  
TO GO PLAY  
AT SOME  
MUSEUM.

LOOK AT YOU,  
KAIN, ALL  
CHARGED-UP  
AND READY  
TO WORK.  
ONE MIGHT  
THINK YOU  
HAD NOTHING  
BETTER TO DO,

TOLD HER  
SHE COULD  
COME WITH  
US TO THE  
MUSEUM  
AS LONG  
AS SHE  
GOT SOME  
SLEEP,  
FIRST.

SHE'S BEEN  
UNDER THE  
WEATHER  
LATELY,  
SO WE'RE  
MAKING HER  
STAY IN BED  
FOR A  
WHILE.

DID SOMETHING  
HAPPEN TO  
THE GIRL?

AH, BUT THAT  
ONLY SHOWS  
HOW MUCH  
I TRUST YOU  
AND YOUR  
CREW.

HAH! THINK  
BACK LONG AND  
HARD ON THAT  
ONE, YOU ASS.  
THE ONLY JOBS  
YOU'VE GIVEN  
US HAVE ALL  
HAD SOME  
CONNECTION TO  
"NIGHTMARE".

I'VE DONE  
MY PART TO  
MAKE AMENDS  
BY GIVING YOU  
SO MANY OTHER  
ASSIGNMENTS  
THOUGH,  
HAVEN'T I?





Heh  
heh.  
CAN'T SAY  
I EVER  
EXPECTED  
YOU, TO BE  
HONEST.

BEGGING  
YOUR PARDON,  
INSPECTOR RAILE,  
BUT I THINK I SPEAK  
FOR ALL OF US HERE  
WHEN I SAY WE  
DON'T EXACTLY  
TRUST YOU.

I THINK YOU'RE  
CONFUSING  
"TRUST" WITH  
"MANIPULATE"  
THERE.



SEEING HOW  
FAR YOUR OWN  
INFORMATION  
NETWORK EXTENDS,  
I'D BE INCLINED  
TO SAY NOTHING  
IS OUTSIDE YOUR  
REACH OF UNDER-  
STANDING.



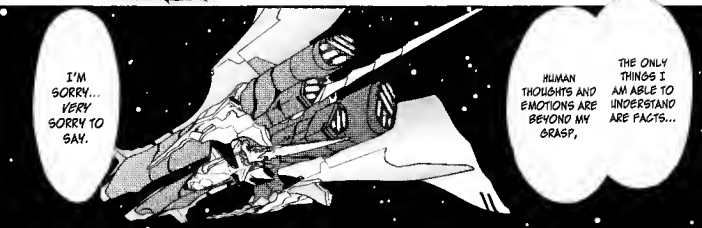
IT IS SAFE TO  
SAY THIS INVOLVES  
NIGHTMARE AGAIN  
AS WELL?

...DOESN'T  
SEEM TO BE A  
STAND-ALONE,  
INDEPENDENT  
INFORMATION  
NETWORK IN AND  
OF ITSELF.

EVEN THE  
MUSEUM  
WE'RE  
ESCORTING  
YOU TO  
RIGHT  
NOW...

AS ALWAYS,  
MISS CANAL,  
THE DEDUCTIVE  
CAPABILITIES  
OF A SUPER-  
COMPUTER SUCH  
AS YOURSELF  
NEVER FAIL TO  
IMPRESS.

♪



I'M  
SORRY...  
VERY  
SORRY TO  
SAY.

HUMAN  
THOUGHTS AND  
EMOTIONS ARE  
BEYOND MY  
GRASP,

THE ONLY  
THINGS I  
AM ABLE TO  
UNDERSTAND  
ARE FACTS...



SORRY TO GET  
YOUR HOPES UP.  
THE FACT IS, THIS  
PLACE IS RARELY  
USED AS ANYTHING  
BUT A REST AREA  
OR A TEMPORARY  
PARKING LOT.

Erk.

JEEZE, I  
DIDN'T EXPECT  
THIS PLACE TO  
LOOK SO...  
DESERTED.



WHY DON'T  
YOU SHOW  
US AROUND,  
OR SOME-  
THING?

I'D LOVE TO,  
BUT I'M AFRAID  
I'VE GOT OTHER  
THINGS ON MY  
PLATE AT THE  
MOMENT.

ALRIGHT,  
SO NOW  
THAT WE'RE  
HERE,



LOOK,  
JUST STAY  
HERE UNTIL I  
GET BACK,  
ALRIGHT?

I NEED YOU  
TO HOLD ON  
TO THIS FOR  
ME.

YOUR  
WALLET?  
WHAT FOR?!



UH, I'LL BE  
RIGHT BACK.  
I HAVE TO  
USE THE  
TOILET REAL  
FAST.

H... HEY,  
GOOD  
QUESTION.

SO...  
NOW  
WHAT?



AH...  
OH,  
YEAH.



I HOPE  
YOU'LL  
FORGIVE ME  
FOR THIS,  
MILLY, ANISE,

BUT I CAN'T  
LET YOU GET  
INVOLVED IN  
SOMETHING THIS  
DANGEROUS.



Announce  
it to the  
whole  
place,  
why don't  
you?!

GOOD  
LUCK,  
BIG  
BROTHER.

OHH.  
GOTTA  
DROP A  
DEUCE,  
HUH?  
GOTCHA!

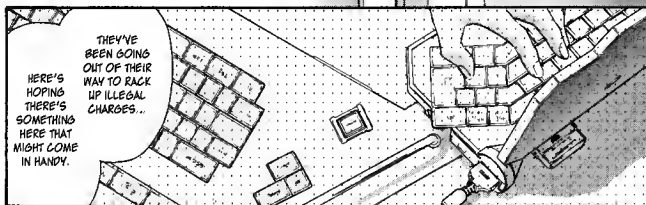




HERE WE GO.  
NOW THAT  
NIGHTMARE'S  
STARTED MOVING,  
I REALLY CAN'T  
AFFORD TO BE  
PULLING ANY  
PUNCHES.

pshoo

BZZT



HERE'S  
HOPING  
THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
HERE THAT  
MIGHT COME  
IN HANDY.

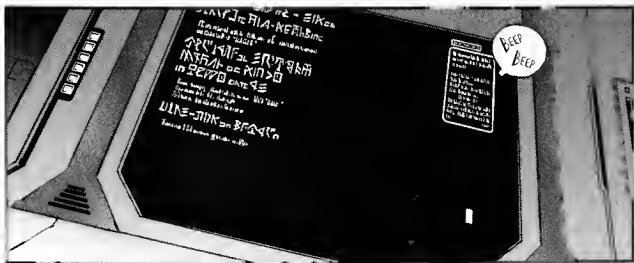
THEY'VE  
BEEN GOING  
OUT OF THEIR  
WAY TO RACK  
UP ILLEGAL  
CHARGES...

LET'S SEE  
WHAT THEY  
MIGHT HAVE  
LEFT TO  
TELL US.

A SECRET  
PHRASE  
FROM THE  
CIVILIZATION  
PRECEDING  
OURS...

ACCESS





PRESENT  
YOURSELF TO  
THE GOLDEN  
LORD,  
THOU DARK  
ONE,

AND  
BOW  
DOWN  
THINE  
HEAD  
BEFORE  
HER.

IN THE  
NAME OF  
CHAOS,  
I COMMAND  
THEE.

...BUT IF "THEY"  
SOMEHOW  
CAUGHT WIND  
OF WHAT MY  
SEARCH TURNED  
UP, I MAY AS  
WELL KISS MY  
TRUMP CARD  
GOODBYE.

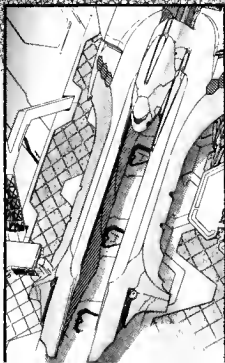
I'VE ALWAYS  
THOUGHT THE IDEA  
OF KEEPING A  
SYSTEM ENTIRELY  
INTERNAL IN THE  
INTEREST OF  
CONFIDENTIALITY  
LAUGHABLE...

...THIS  
IS...

clak

00:04:58

BETTER  
SAFE  
THAN  
SORRY.





HUH?

CLOP

ははは

WELCOME  
BACK,  
KAIN.

CANAL,  
INITIATE  
EMERGENCY  
TAKE-OFF  
SEQUENCE.

Pshoo



AND BESIDES,  
THERE'S ONLY  
ONE REASON  
YOU'D GIVE  
ME THIS.



YOU  
SERIOUSLY  
THINK I  
CAN'T SEE  
RIGHT  
THROUGH  
YOUR STUPID  
GAMES?

WHAT?  
WHY ARE YOU  
GUYS...



...BUT...  
I CAN'T  
GUARANTEE  
YOUR LIVES!

That's no  
way for one  
partner  
to treat  
another!!



How is it fair  
for you to  
pull that.  
"I'll come  
back alive,  
so keep this  
until then"  
card on me  
again!?



PLEASE,  
DON'T  
LEAVE ME  
BEHIND!

...ANISE



I DO BELIEVE  
IT WAS MORE  
UNFAIR OF YOU  
TO LEAVE THEM  
STRANDED,  
KAIN.

OH, AND  
BELIEVE ME.  
I CAN  
HANDLE IT.

SHUT UP.  
THAT'S WHAT  
THE SUPPORT  
STAFF'S FOR—  
TO PICK UP  
YOUR  
SLACK.



WHERE DID  
GRANNY  
GO!?

CANAL!

WHY'D SHE  
HAVE TO  
GO AND  
LEAVE ME  
BEHIND....!?

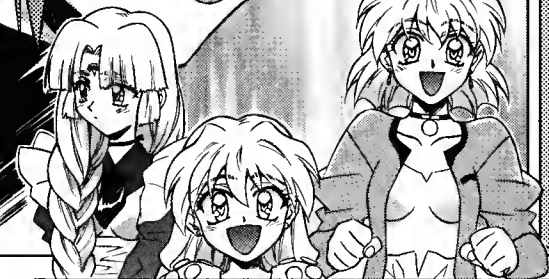
BUT WHY  
DIDN'T SHE  
TAKE ME  
WITH HER!?

ALICIA'S GONE  
SOMEWHERE  
FAR... FAR AWAY  
TO PROTECT  
YOU.



...AW,  
FINE.

DO WHAT  
YOU  
WANT!



CLING



AND NOW THAT  
WE'VE GOT THAT  
SETTLED AND OUT  
OF THE WAY,  
LET'S LIFT OFF!  
OR RATHER,  
THAT'S WHAT I  
WOULD LOVE  
TO SAY, BUT...



He~

Hey!  
Get offa  
me!

OH...

OH,  
GOOD!  
♡



It's  
Nightmare.

WH-  
THE  
HELL!?

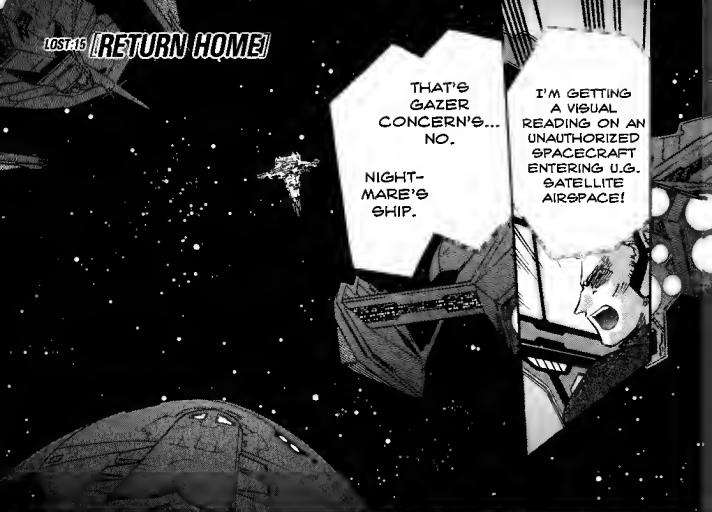
WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON!?

I'M AFRAID  
WE HAVE  
COMPANY.

THAT'S  
GAZER  
CONCERN'S...  
NO.

NIGHT-  
MARE'S  
SHIP.

I'M GETTING  
A VISUAL  
READING ON AN  
UNAUTHORIZED  
SPACECRAFT  
ENTERING U.G.  
SATELLITE  
AIRSPACE!



ALL PATROL  
UNITS REPORT  
TO THE  
EMERGENCY  
DECK  
IMMEDIATELY!!

RIGHT ON  
SCHEDULE.

I  
REPEAT!







KA-BOOM!

LET'S SEE  
HOW YOU  
WEASEL YOUR  
WAY OUT OF  
THIS ONE.

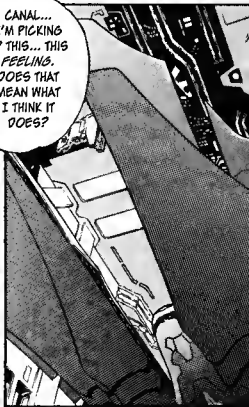
ALRIGHT,  
KAIN.



I'M  
AFRAID  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT.

WHATEVER'S  
OUT THERE...  
IT'S ONE  
OF THEM,  
ISN'T IT?

CANAL...  
I'M PICKING  
UP THIS... THIS  
FEELING.  
DOES THAT  
MEAN WHAT  
I THINK IT  
DOES?





IT'S  
NIGHTMARE'S  
LOST SHIP...

NEZARD!

LOST:15

**[RETURN HOME]**



SEEMS MY  
INFORMATION  
WAS  
CORRECT.

I DO SO  
HATE TO BE  
THE BEARER  
OF BAD NEWS,  
BUT VOLFIED, I'M  
AFRAID THERE  
MAY BE A  
TRAITOR IN  
YOUR MIDST.

WHY,  
HOW SWEET  
OF YOU TO  
LET ME KNOW.  
I DON'T THINK  
I COULD HAVE  
FIGURED THAT  
OUT ALL BY  
MYSELF.

I CAN  
HARDLY  
WAIT.

A ONE-  
STRIKE  
KILL? NO,  
THAT WOULD  
BE FAR  
TOO ANTI-  
CLIMACTIC...  
I WANT TO  
SAVOR  
THIS.

LET ME  
SEE... HOW  
SHALL I  
DISPOSE  
OF YOU?

CANAL?

O-  
ON  
IT!

CANAL,  
ACTIVATE THE  
PSY-SYSTEM!  
MILLY, READY  
THE PSY-  
BLASTER!




I WANT  
YOU TO  
USE THE  
**PLASMA  
BLAST.**



WAIT A  
MINUTE. I  
THOUGHT THAT  
WAS CORDONED  
OFF AND  
BANNED FROM  
USAGE.





LET'S  
SHOW  
THIS GUY  
WHO HE'S  
DEALING  
WITH!!

SO  
WHAT ARE  
WE WAITING  
FOR? DO  
YOU WANT  
TO BLOW  
THIS GUY  
SKY-HIGH  
OR NOT!?

WHO  
CARES  
IF I GET  
THE WIND  
KNOCKED  
OUTTA ME  
WHILE  
WE'RE  
AT IT?!



DO AS  
YOUR MASTER  
COMMANDS!  
ACTIVATE THE  
SYSTEM!!

Flinch



KAIN...

NOW THAT  
WE'VE GOT THAT  
OUTTA THE WAY,  
LET'S GET THIS  
SHOW ON THE  
ROAD. BOOT IT  
UP, CANAL.



...Ngh!

...AFFIRMATIVE.  
CONNECTION TO  
PSY-SYSTEM  
ESTABLISHED.  
**ENERGIZE!**

DOCK  
NUMBER 88,  
SWORD BREAKER.  
WE NEED YOU  
IN HERE FOR  
QUESTIONING.  
RETURN TO  
YOUR HOME  
POSITION AT  
ONCE.

RELEASING  
BOOST  
VALVES.

EJECTING  
BOOST  
CHIP.

HUH!?

CAUTION CRT 0-02

VERNIER  
THRUSTERS  
ENGAGED.

CHANGE > 02

DEPLOYING  
PSY-  
BARRIER!

COMMAND  
CENTRAL TO  
SWORD BREAKER!  
IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH PENAL CODE  
BN-05, I AM  
AUTHORIZED  
TO RESTRAIN  
YOUR CRAFT  
TO ITS HOME  
POSITION!

VERBEN

YOU  
ARE  
CLEAR  
TO  
FIRE!

ALRIGHT!  
GOOOO!!

GRIP



I AM NOW  
PROJECTING  
A SIMULATED  
ANALYSIS OF THE  
SHIP'S OUTER  
SURROUNDINGS  
ON SCREEN.

BZZT  
HMPH!  
I HOPE THEY  
DON'T HONESTLY  
EXPECT SOME  
SILLY LITTLE  
LASER BARRIER  
TO KEEP ME  
HERE FOR  
LONG.

LOCKED  
ON TARGET.  
ENERGY  
LEVELS  
RISING!

IS  
THAT  
OUR  
GUY?

KAIN?!

!?



!!

KRA-  
LOOM!

THAT  
ENERGY  
PATTERN!  
IT CAN'T  
B-!?

!?



SHINE...





GAAG!



THE SWORD  
BREAKER HAS  
BROKEN AWAY  
FROM THE  
SATELLITE!

Ngh... N...  
Nezard...  
Is he  
down..?

KAIN!

BIG  
BROTHER!!

NO SUCH  
LUCK, I'M  
AFRAID. HE  
ESCAPED WITH  
ONLY LESS  
THAN FATAL  
DAMAGE.

DAMN.

SO MUCH  
FOR TAKING  
ANOTHER  
SHOT,  
THEN... GUESS  
THAT MEANS I'M  
AS GOOD AS  
DEAD IF I  
TRIED.

PSY-ENERGY  
LEVELS PLUMMETING!  
NOW DEACTIVATING  
PSY-SYSTEM TO  
PRESERVE REMAINING  
PSY-ENERGY FOR  
MASTER'S VITAL  
FUNCTIONS.





WHAT IS  
OUR NEXT  
DESTINATION,  
MASTER?



...NOT  
LIKE WE'RE  
IN ANY SHAPE  
TO FIRE ON  
'EM FROM A  
SPOT LIKE  
THIS.



HE LOOKS  
TO BE  
WAITING ON  
US TO MAKE  
THE NEXT  
MOVE.

WHAT ABOUT  
NEZARD?

...WHAT?  
OH...  
ALICIA'S  
HOUSE?

SET  
COURSE FOR  
THE FARTHEST  
REACHES OF  
THE GALAXY, THE  
THIRD PLANET  
IN THE ORBEUS  
STAR SYSTEM,  
E-17.

...GOOD  
QUESTION.



THAT'S THE  
PLACE...




WHERE IT ALL  
BEGAN...

BESIDES...  
AS FAR AS I'M  
CONCERNED



YEAH.


WE WON'T  
RISK DRAWING  
INNOCENTS INTO  
THE CROSSFIRE  
IF WE TAKE THE  
FIGHT THERE.



FIND OUT WHERE THAT SHIP DISAPPEARED TO! I WANT HER BROUGHT IN AS A RISK TO GALACTIC SECURITY, AND THE PASSENGERS AND CREW BROUGHT IN FOR QUESTIONING ON THE DOUBLE!

YES, SIR!!

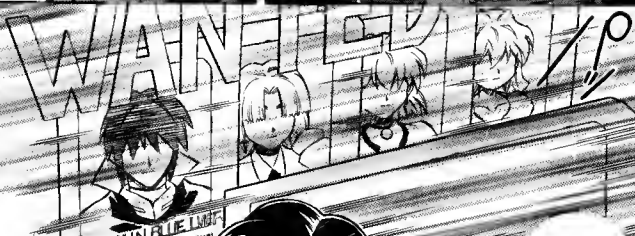
FORGET THE EXPLOSION! THAT SHIP IS CAPABLE OF THINGS WE COULDN'T EVEN DREAM OF!



WHAT DO YOU MEAN, THEY'RE WORKING FOR US!? WAIT, SO THEN WHAT WAS THE STORY BEHIND THAT EXPLOSION INSIDE THE SATELLITE...?

D... DID YOU SEE THAT?

WHAT WERE THEY CALLING IT? THE SWORD BREAKER !?



GOOD LUCK, KAIN. I'M EXPECTING GREAT THINGS OUT OF YOU.



WELL, THAT WAS LESS THAN IMPRESSIVE.

I SUPPOSE I'LL HAVE TO KEEP MY HOPES UP FOR THE SEQUEL...

HAH...!  
I'VE NEVER  
SEEN A BUNCH  
OF GROWN  
MEN TAKE SO  
LONG TO CATCH  
ONE MEASLY  
RAT.

I'D SAY  
YOUR REPUTATION  
PRECEEDS YOU,  
BUT THE ONLY  
IMPRESSION  
I'M GETTING SO  
FAR IS THAT IT'S  
EXCEEDING  
YOU...

SO YOU'VE  
FINALLY FOUND  
THE SWORD  
BREAKER...

OH,  
YES...  
I'VE TAKEN  
THAT TO  
"HEART."

I WON'T  
TELL YOU TO  
GO BRING  
HER BACK.  
DO AS YOU  
PLEASE.

AND I HEAR  
THEY'VE RUN  
OFF WITH R-20,  
ON TOP OF  
THAT! SHALL  
I... HANDLE  
THAT?

BUT I WILL  
TOLERATE  
NO MORE  
OF YOUR  
FAILURES.



WELL  
EXCUUSE  
THE HELL  
OUT OF  
ME!

I'M SO  
JEALOUS OF  
YOUR CAPE  
RIGHT NOW, I  
COULD COME  
OVER THERE AND  
RIP IT OFF  
YOUR BACK!  
AND COMING  
FROM ME,  
THAT'S SAYING  
SOMETHING!

**BRRR!**  
THIS PLACE IS  
F-F-FREEZING!  
DO YOU COME  
HERE TO REMIND  
YOURSELF WHAT  
IT WAS LIKE IN  
THE STONE  
AGES!?



I'M...

I'M GOING  
TO VISIT  
GRANNY'S  
GRAVE.

HUH?

I NEED  
YOU TO  
WATCH OVER  
ANISE FOR  
A WHILE,  
MILLY.

**AM I  
CLEAR?**

YOU'RE NOT  
GOING ANYWHERE.  
YOU'RE SICK. YOU'RE  
LUCKY I EVEN LET  
YOU OFF THE SHIP IN  
THE FIRST PLACE.

**T... Take  
me with  
you!**

YOU'RE  
STAYING  
HERE, AND  
THAT'S  
THAT.

W...



So you've  
got my  
back in a  
fight, but  
not with  
this!?

Uh-oh, you made  
her cry-y-y!  
Kain's a stupid  
Jeeerk! Kain's a  
stupid Jeeerk!

♪

JUMP

B, Big  
brother's  
gonna throw  
me away  
'cause I can't  
do anything  
to heeeelp!

W  
A  
A  
A  
!

LOOK,  
ANISE. I'M  
ONLY LEAVING  
YOU BEHIND  
BECAUSE I  
CARE ABOUT  
YOU, OKAY?

AWW,  
JEEZE-!  
ALRIGHT,  
ALRIGHT!  
I'M SORRY,  
ANISE! I  
MEAN IT!

Now  
you're making  
ME cry!

YOU'RE  
A BIG BOY.  
YOU DON'T  
NEED ME  
HERE TO  
HOLD YOUR  
HAND.

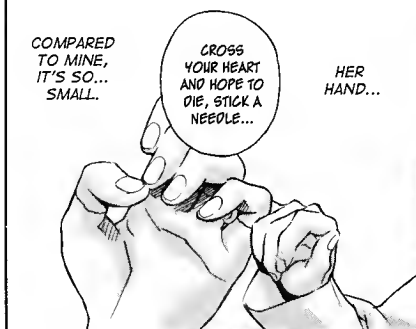
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OH, COME  
ON. NOBODY  
WANTS TO BE  
ALONE WHEN  
THEY'RE SICK.  
THAT'S JUST  
THE WAY WE  
OPERATE.

You  
promise?

WOULD  
I LIE TO  
YOU?

LISTEN,  
ONCE YOU  
START FEELING  
BETTER, I'LL TAKE  
YOU ANYWHERE YOU  
WANT TO GO, I  
PROMISE.



COMPARED  
TO MINE,  
IT'S SO...  
SMALL.

CROSS  
YOUR HEART  
AND HOPE TO  
DIE, STICK A  
NEEDLE...

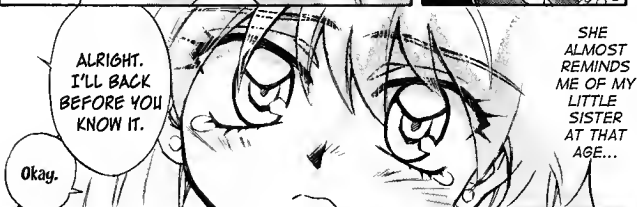
HER  
HAND...



...YEAH,  
YEAH.

...I  
wish you  
would stop  
teaching  
her this  
crap,  
Cana!

YOU  
GOTTA  
PINKY-  
SWEAR.



ALRIGHT.  
I'LL BACK  
BEFORE YOU  
KNOW IT.

Okay.

SHE  
ALMOST  
REMINDS  
ME OF MY  
LITTLE  
SISTER  
AT THAT  
AGE...



I'M  
GOING TO  
GO FIX UP  
SOME HOT  
MILK.

OH,  
OKAY.

I'LL  
PUT THEM  
BACK.



FLUTTER

TMP



THIS PLACE  
REALLY IS  
PREHISTORIC!

WOW,  
PAPER  
PHOTO-  
GRAPHS?

YOU WANT  
SOME TOO,  
ANISE?

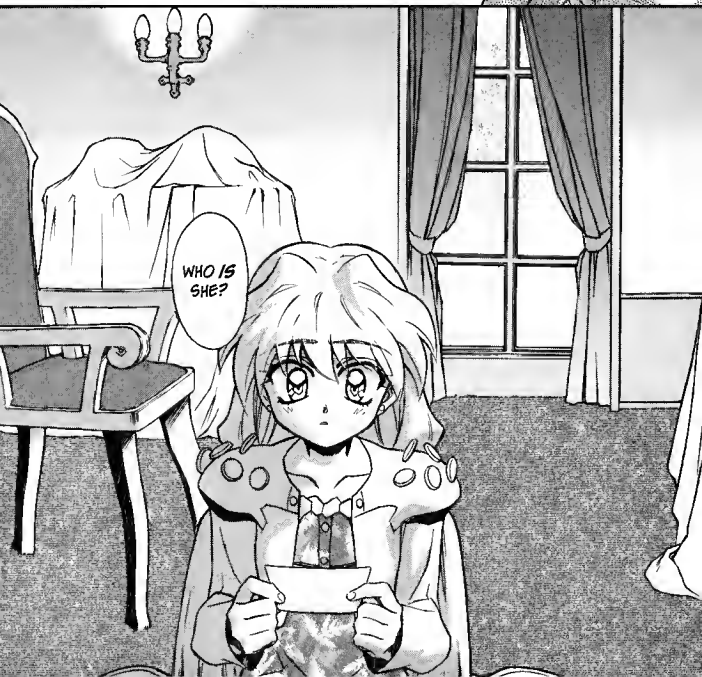


...SHE  
LOOKS  
JUST LIKE  
ME...

SHE...

ROGER-  
DOGER!  
BE BACK IN  
A JIFFY.

O...  
OKAY.



WHO IS  
SHE?

HI, GRANNY.  
LONG TIME  
NO TALK.

skff

...NOT THAT  
WE'RE REALLY  
TALKING, ANYWAY.  
ALL THAT'S UNDER  
HERE IS A BUNCH  
OF DIRT.

fooch...

beep  
beep

bip  
bip

THERE'S NOT  
EVEN A BODY UNDER  
YOUR GRAVESTONE  
I CAN TALK TO... THE  
LAST THING YOU EVER  
TOLD ME WAS TO TAKE  
CARE OF CANAL, AND  
THEN... YOU WERE  
GONE. JUST VANISHED  
INTO THIN AIR...

beep  
bip

IT'S  
ONE OF  
THEM!  
THEY'RE  
HERE!!

WHAT?  
WHAT'S THE  
PROBLEM  
!?

THIS  
IS KA-

WHAT TOOK  
YOU SO LONG!/?  
I'VE BEEN  
TRYING TO GET  
IN TOUCH WITH  
YOU FOR AGES!

HEH  
HEH  
HEH.

KAIN?!  
DO YOU  
READ  
ME?  
KAIN,  
COME  
IN!!

KAIN  
BLUERIVER.  
AT LAST WE  
MEET...

ALICIA'S  
KIN.

WHA...

!!

FWOOSH




WHY  
AM I SO...  
DIZZY?

KAIN...  
KAIN,  
DO YOU  
READ  
ME!?

U...GH!

WHO...  
WHO  
ARE  
YOU...?

THE SAME  
THING HAPPENED  
WHEN WE RAN  
INTO THE LOST  
SHIP "NEZARD,"  
TOO... WHAT THE  
HECK IS *WRONG*  
WITH ME?



AND R-20 IS  
COMING BACK  
WITH ME. CALL IT A  
REPOSSESSION  
OF PROPERTY.

THERE ARE  
SOME WHO  
CALL ME...  
"SPREADER OF  
DARKNESS."

LOST-16

[SACRIFICE]



**I'LL  
CUT YOU  
APART!  
I'LL DO IT,  
I SWEAR!**

YOU'RE  
WITH NIGHT-  
MARE...!

GET  
YOUR  
HANDS  
OFF OF  
HER, OR  
I...!!



LET  
ALONE  
**STRIKE**  
WITH IT.

BUT IF  
THAT PATHETIC  
WHEEZE IS ANY  
INDICATION, I'D  
SAY YOU CAN  
BARELY LIFT  
THAT BLADE,



...THAT'S  
A BOLD  
CLAIM...

AH...  
 A PSY-  
 BLADES-  
 MAN, I  
 SEE...



**YOU NEED  
ONLY CONCERN  
YOURSELF WITH THE  
FACT THAT I HAVE  
NO INTENTIONS OF  
WASTING ENERGY BY  
CROSSING SWORDS  
WITH YOU.**

**...WHAT!?**

NH-17

I'VE ONLY  
COME TO PAY  
MY RESPECTS TO  
A SPECIAL FOOL  
OF A WOMAN WHO  
GAVE HER LIFE IN A  
FRUITLESS ATTEMPT  
ON MY OWN... AND  
PROVE HOW  
INEFFECTIVE HER  
SACRIFICE WAS  
AFTER ALL.

FOR THE  
MOMENT...





TO YOU,  
ALICIA. MAY  
YOU REST IN  
EVERLASTING  
*DESPAIR.*

HOW...  
**DARE**  
YOU!?

**TAKE IT  
BACK!  
TAKE IT  
BACK,  
DAMN  
YOU!!**



spark



HE DIDN'T  
EVEN HIT ME  
THAT HARD...  
SO WHY CAN'T  
I GET UP!?

Damn...  
It...!

WHAT'S  
YOUR  
HURRY,  
BOY?

HE... HE  
CAN USE A  
PSY-BLADE  
WITHOUT A  
CONVERTER!?

I'LL BE  
BACK TO KILL  
YOU SOON  
ENOUGH.

Anise...

...ANISE!

NO HUMAN  
SHOULD BE  
ABLE TO DO  
THAT!!

R-20.  
HOW GOOD  
OF YOU TO  
JOIN US.

BIG  
BR...

YOU'RE...  
YOU'RE  
HURT!?

!!





NEXT  
TIME, YOUR  
HAIR WON'T  
BE THE  
ONLY THING  
I CUT.

BECAUSE  
IF YOU  
DON'T KILL  
HIM, I  
WILL.

DRAIN  
HIS  
PSYCHIC  
ENERGY.

NOW...  
I HAVE A  
JOB FOR  
YOU.

AND ONCE  
WE RETURN,  
I'LL SEE TO  
YOUR "RE-  
EDUCATION"...  
PERSONALLY.

...Arise?

YOU  
KNOW  
HOW IT'S  
DONE,  
DON'T  
YOU?

AND DON'T  
STOP UNTIL  
YOU SUCK  
OUT EVERY  
OUNCE OF  
HIS LIFE-  
FORCE.



PERHAPS ALICIA'S  
GENES ARE STILL  
CAPABLE OF  
RESPONDING...

CRYING OVER  
THE MAN WHO  
KIDNAPPED YOU  
IN THE MIDDLE OF  
YOUR TRAINING.  
I'M SURPRISED  
YOU'RE SO  
ATTACHED  
TO HIM.

HAH!  
LOOK  
AT YOU.



Wh...  
What  
are you  
talking  
about?

W  
AA  
H!  
!

NOOO!  
I WANNA  
STAY WITH  
YOU!!



A... A  
clone of my  
grandmother?  
Why... would  
you...?

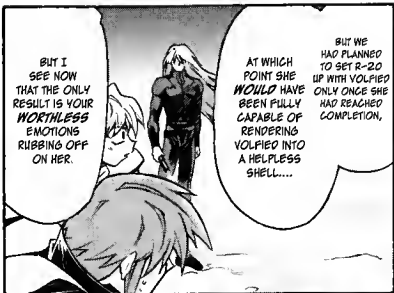
...TO GRAB  
VOLFIED'S  
ATTENTION.

R-20 IS A  
CLONE OF  
VOLFIED'S  
MASTER,  
ALICIA.





...Anise isn't...





M...  
Milly...

I HAVE A  
PARALYZER  
GUN AIMED  
RIGHT AT  
YOU.

**HOLD IT  
RIGHT  
THERE!**

NOW  
DROP THE  
PSY-BLADE.  
NICE AND  
EASY.

YOU PICK  
A FIGHT WITH  
MY PARTNER,  
AND YOU'RE  
PICKING A  
FIGHT WITH  
ME!

**GET OUT  
OF-!?! WHY  
SHOULD !?!**

What kind of  
thinks is that  
after pulling your  
partner out of  
the fire?

**Milly,  
no! Get  
out of  
here!!**

**EEP!**

**SHANK!**



WH-!?

!!

BUDDA

BUDDA


NOW  
WOULD BE  
A GOOD TIME  
TO LEAVE,  
"SPREADER OF  
DARKNESS."

FWOOSH

IF IT'S A  
GAME OF "TAG"  
YOU WANT, THEN  
I'LL BE MORE  
THAN HAPPY TO  
PLAY WITH YOU  
LATER.

BUDDA

BUDDA



WE'LL MEET  
AGAIN... SOON  
ENOUGH.

HE'S  
THE ONE  
YOU WANT  
TO SHOOT!  
NOT—!!

PEW  
DON'T  
YOU  
KNOW  
HOW  
TO  
AIM!?

EAAAGH!

DAMMIT,  
CANAL!! WHAT  
ARE YOU TRYING  
TO DO?! KILL  
US ALL!?

PEW

I FELT  
LIKE I... LIKE  
I KNEW HIM  
FROM  
SOMEWHERE...

...4...  
YEAH.  
I'LL BE  
RIGHT  
THERE...

WHAT'S  
WRONG  
WITH ME?

...Ah—!

SORRY,  
MILLY...  
COULD YOU  
GIVE ME A  
HAND OVER  
HERE?



WE WILL REACH  
"SPREADER OF  
DARKNESS'S"  
LOST SHIP, THE  
GORUN NOVA, IN  
APPROXIMATELY  
600 SECONDS.



...KNOWING  
WHAT SHE  
WAS?

DID  
YOU LET  
ANISE ON  
BOARD  
THIS  
SHIP...



...YES,  
I DID.



... OH, I KNEW  
SOMETHING WAS  
UP, OF COURSE.  
IT WAS ALL TOO  
PERFECT. BUT  
EVEN KNOWING IT  
WAS MORE THAN  
LIKELY A TRAP, I  
WANTED TO TAKE  
HER WITH US...





...AH...

WHAT  
WAS  
GRANNY  
ALICIA  
LIKE?



BIG  
BROTHER  
KAIN?

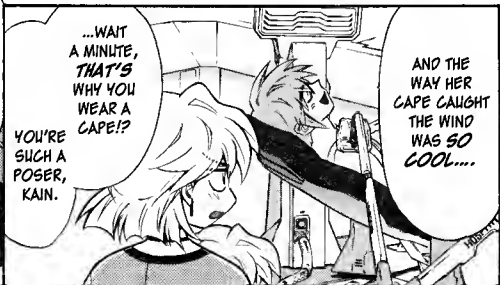
BECAUSE  
SHE LOOKED  
SO MUCH LIKE  
ALICIA DID WHEN  
SHE FIRST  
FOUND ME.



SHE WAS  
ALWAYS  
LOOKING  
OUT FOR  
ME.  
  
SHE  
WAS SO  
STRONG...  
PRETTY...  
AND  
KIND...

WHEN I WAS A KID...  
WELL, I WAS NEVER THE  
SHARPEST TOOL IN THE SHED.  
AND PARENTS WERE ALWAYS  
ON MY CASE, COMPARING  
ME TO MY BIG BROTHER...  
BUT GRANNY WAS DIFFERENT.  
SHE TOOK ME UNDER  
HER WING AND STOOD UP  
FOR ME WHEN NO ONE  
ELSE WOULD.

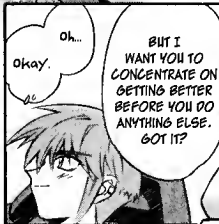
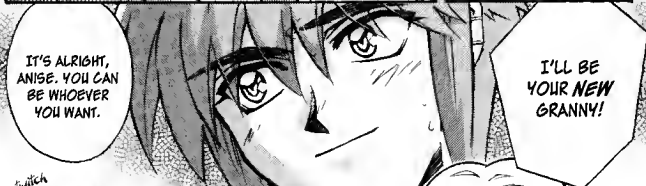
Tch. See if  
I ever spill  
my guts to  
you again.



...WAIT  
A MINUTE,  
THAT'S  
WHY YOU  
WEAR A  
CAPE!?

YOU'RE  
SUCH A  
POSER,  
KAIN.

AND THE  
WAY HER  
CAPE CAUGHT  
THE WIND  
WAS SO  
COOL....





**CANAL!  
READY THE  
PLASMA  
BLAST!!**



**THOSE  
SONS OF-!  
NOW THEY'RE  
TRYING TO GET  
ME RILED-  
UP!**

**SOMETHING'S  
NOT RIGHT... NEZARD  
SHOULD STILL BE OUT  
OF OPERATION FROM  
OUR LAST ATTACK...**

**SPREADER  
OF DARKNESS'S  
SHIP IS LOCATED  
JUST THE OTHER  
SIDE OF NEZARD,  
ENGINES CUT.**



**YRRM!**

**A...  
Affirmative.  
Establishing  
Psy-System  
connection.  
Charging  
energy!**



**KAIN, NO!  
YOU'RE IN NO  
CONDITION TO  
USE IT RIGHT  
NOW! YOU'LL  
KILL YOUR-  
SELF!**

**DO IT!**

**WE'RE  
ENDING THIS,  
NOW!**



HE  
EXHAUSTED  
TOO MUCH OF  
HIS PSYCHIC  
ENERGY, AND  
NOW HE'S LOST  
CONSCIOUS-  
NESS.

WE MUST PULL  
AROUND AND  
WITHDRAWAL  
IMMEDIATELY!!

WHAT  
HAPPENED!?

**KAIN!!  
WAKE  
UP!!**

KAIN!?

**KAIN!!**

VOLFIED...

?

WHAT  
IS THE  
MATTER  
WITH  
YOU?

KAIN! KAIN,  
OPEN YOUR  
EYES!

SNAP  
OUT  
OF  
IT!

Big  
brother!

UGH!  
THERE'S  
JUST NO  
OTHER WAY  
AROUND  
IT FOR  
NOW.

NEZARD  
IS THE LAST  
THING I'D EVER  
WANT TO TURN  
MY BACK AND  
RUN FROM,  
BUT...

SO YOU'RE  
JUST GOING  
TO STAND THERE  
AND WATCH  
HIM DIE!?

THERE'S  
NOT ENOUGH  
ENERGY LEFT  
IN THE PSY-  
SYSTEM.

THE LIFE  
SUPPORT  
SYSTEMS  
ARE BARELY  
HOLDING  
AS IT IS...

CAN'T YOU  
DO ANYTHING,  
CANAL!?

HEART RATE,  
BLOOD PRESSURE,  
AND BODY  
TEMPERATURE  
FALLING.



I WILL NOT  
WASTE TIME WE  
DO NOT HAVE BY  
IDLING IN FRONT  
OF OUR ENEMY  
WHILE WE WAIT TO  
OVERWRITE THE  
PERSONAL DATA  
TO OPERATE  
THIS SHIP.

THEN  
WHAT ARE  
WE WAITING  
FOR? HOOK  
ME UP! I'LL  
GIVE THIS PSY-  
SYSTEM A REAL  
KICK IN THE  
PANTS!

BUT YOU  
COULD DO  
SOMETHING  
IF YOU HAD  
MORE PSY-  
ENERGY,  
RIGHT?

AND I  
WILL NOT  
JEOPARDIZE  
THE SAFETY OF  
YOUR LIVES  
AS WELL.

I CAN...!



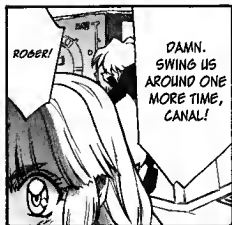
IS KAIN,  
AND KAIN  
ALONE.

CANAL  
VOLFIED'S-  
THE SWORD  
BREAKER'S-  
MASTER...

サクリファイス  
LOST:17 **[SACRIFICE II]**










D....  
DODGE!




Compatible?  
Oh, and just  
when I was  
afraid things  
couldn't get  
any worse...



TSK!

I'M  
ALREADY  
DOING AS  
BEST I  
CAN!

IS IT  
JUST ME,  
OR IS HE  
A LOT  
FASTER  
THAN HE  
WAS LAST  
TIME!?



I can't  
do any-  
thing to  
help....!

I  
don't  
know  
what to  
do.



YOUR  
HANDS...  
THEY'RE  
SO  
COLD.

KAIN...  
I DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT TO  
DO...



I FEEL  
YOUR FEAR.  
I FEEL YOUR  
DESPERA-  
TION!

HA HA HA...  
I FEEL IT,  
VOLFIED...

HA  
HA  
HA  
HA!

BA-  
THUMP

INSIDE  
EVERY  
NEGATIVE  
FEELING...

THAT  
IS WHERE  
MY POWER  
LIES.

READING  
BULLET DAMAGE  
AT 106 UNIQUE  
LOCATIONS -  
POWER OUTPUT  
FALLING! OH, I  
HATE TO SAY  
THIS, BUT-

I'M  
EXECUTING  
EVASIVE  
MANEUVERS!!

HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA!

HA  
HA  
HA  
HA  
HA!

BUDDA

BUDDA

I'LL TURN  
IT ALL  
BACK ONTO  
YOU, AND  
TORTURE  
YOU UNTIL  
YOU CAN  
STAND IT NO  
LONGER!

OH, NO...  
HE'S GOING  
INTO  
SHOCK...!

B... BIG  
BROTHER!

BEEP!  
BEEP!

He's  
dying...



CANAL,  
OVER-  
WRITE HIS  
PERSONAL  
DATA WITH  
MINE!

A...  
ANISE,  
DEAR!?



I'LL BET  
MY POWERS  
CAN DO ALL  
KINDS OF  
THINGS...

ANISE!?

**NO!**

IT'S TOO  
DANGEROUS.  
PLEASE...  
JUST PUT  
YOUR PSY-  
BALANCERS  
BACK--



I'M NOT  
"ASKING"  
YOU...  
CANAL...

B...  
BUT  
ANISE,  
DEAR...



THEY'RE  
NOT *JUST*  
FOR KILLING  
PEOPLE.



**ESTABLISH A  
CONNECTION  
TO THE PSY-  
SYSTEM,  
NOW!!**

**I'M  
ORDERING  
YOU!**

A...  
**ALICIA...!**



...I  
see.

Forever...



I  
JUST...  
I WANNA  
TO BE HERE  
FOREVER...  
THAT'S ALL...



WHUP

WHUP

WHUP



WHUP

WHUP



AFTER ALL,  
THAT BRAT  
COULD ONLY  
DREAM OF  
ATTAINING HALF  
THE POWER  
THAT ALICIA  
ONCE...

IT ALL  
COMES  
DOWN TO THE  
DIFFERENCE  
IN POTENTIAL  
BETWEEN  
MASTERS...

.....  
1?



HMPH!  
LOOK AT HER.  
RUNNING BACK  
AND FORTH,  
BACK AND  
FORTH.

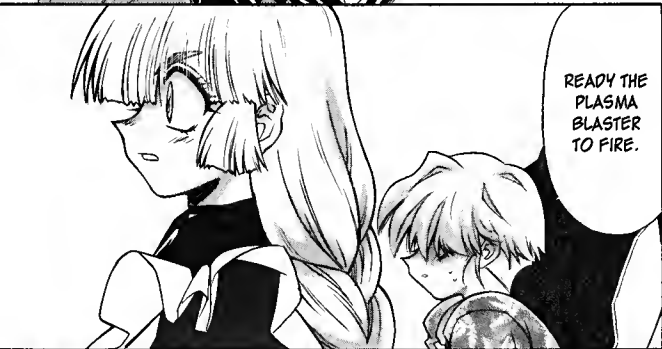
NOTHING  
LIKE THE  
VOLFIED  
I KNOW...



**CHARGING  
PSY-SYSTEM  
ENERGY!!**

WHRRM!









LOCKED  
ON TARGET.  
ENERGY  
LEVELS  
RISING!

COUNTING  
DOWN TO  
LAUNCH.  
FIVE.



THREE

FOUR

A...  
Anise!?

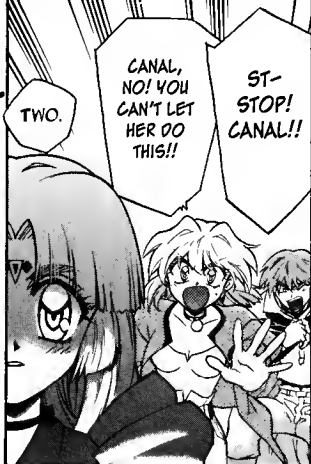
WHAT'S  
HAPPENING?  
WHY DOES  
SHE SEEM SO...  
DIFFERENT?

PLASMA  
BLASTER:  
FIRE!!

CRRRAK!



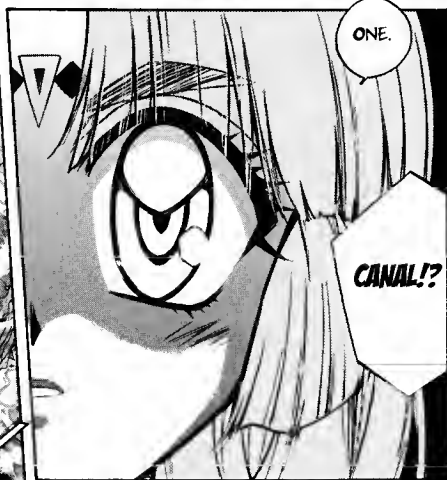
AAGH!



TWO.

CANAL,  
NO! YOU  
CAN'T LET  
HER DO  
THIS!!

ST-  
STOP!  
CANAL!!



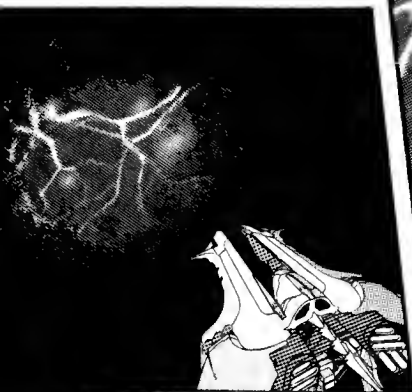
ONE.

CANAL!?



IM...  
POSSIBLE!  
THIS...  
POWER...!

**R  
R  
A  
A  
G  
G  
H  
H  
!!**



CAUSE  
WHEN I DO,  
YOU PROMISED  
YOU'D TAKE ME  
TO ALL SORTS  
OF PLA...  
CES...

I'M  
GONNA GET  
BETTER, I  
PROMISE!

WARNING...  
DEALLOCATING  
MASTER'S  
PSYCHIC  
ENERGY AND  
ATOMIC LEVEL  
PROJECTIONS.

DID YOU  
SEE? DID YOU  
SEE? I DID IT! I  
HELPED! NOW I  
CAN STAY HERE  
FOREVER,  
RIGHT!?

AFTER-IMAGE  
PROJECTION  
WILL SOON  
CEASE TO BE  
DISPLAYED.



...NO...!

...Anis!!

FOREVER...

ANISE?

A...

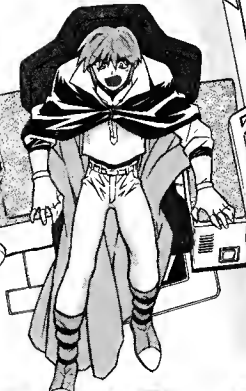
NOW  
WE CAN BE  
TOGETHER...

WHERE  
IS ANISE,  
CANAL!? IS  
SHE OVER  
THERE WITH  
YOU!?

NEZARD...  
HAS BEEN  
DESTROYED.

HEY,  
CUT IT OUT!  
IS THIS  
SOME KIND  
OF SICK  
JOKE!?

ANISE!?



ANI-->=

SWORD  
BREAKER,  
ALL  
SYSTEMS  
GREEN.

LOST:18 **MENTAL**





NOW  
SURRENDER,  
VOLFIED!



THERE'S  
NOWHERE  
LEFT FOR  
YOU TO RUN.  
I HAVE YOU  
CORNERED.



NEVER!  
WE'RE JUST  
GETTING  
STARTED,  
SPREADER  
OF  
DARKNESS!



30% OF  
THE SHIP  
HAS BEEN  
DAMAGED  
BY BULLET  
ENTRY.

COME  
ON AND  
IMPRESS  
ME. DO  
YOUR  
WORST!



JUST  
A LITTLE  
CLOSER  
AND HE'LL  
BE RIGHT  
WHERE I  
WANT  
HIM.

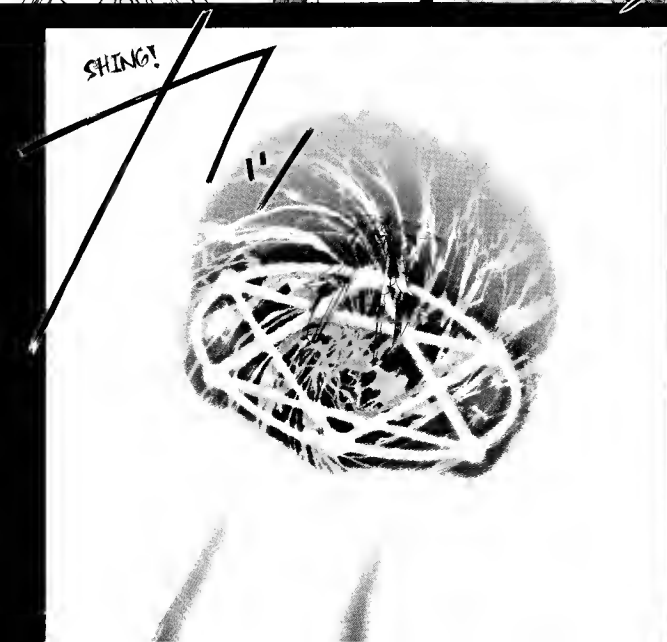


NO!  
NOT  
YET!



MASTER,  
THIS IS  
UNWISE. WE  
SHOULD-







NEZARD  
HAS BEEN  
DESTROYED,  
STARGAZER...  
TAKING  
R-20 WITH  
HIM.

VOLFIED  
LIVES.



SHE HAS  
SOMETHING...  
OR RATHER,  
SOMEONE ABOARD  
PERFECTLY SUITED  
TO UNLEASHING  
THE DESTRUCTION  
YOU SO CRAVE.

WHY  
NOT INVITE  
VOLFIED TO  
OUR DARK  
FORTRESS?

BUT I HAVE,  
STARGAZER.  
I'VE FOUND  
SOMETHING THAT  
I'D VERY MUCH  
LIKE YOU TO  
SEE.



SHE  
ESCAPED?  
YOU MEAN  
TO TELL ME  
YOU'VE  
ACCOMPLISHED  
NOTHING?

THEN  
CONSIDER  
IT DONE.

LET  
DARK STAR'S  
BIRTH CRY BE  
THE HARBINGER  
THAT HERALDS  
VOLFIED'S  
DEMISE.

SOON THEIR  
NUMBERS WILL  
BE COMPLETELY  
ANNIHILATED,  
LEAVING MORE THAN  
ENOUGH NEGATIVE  
ENERGY IN THEIR  
WAKE TO POWER  
DARK STAR.

THE  
UNIVERSAL  
FORCE HAS  
OFFERED THEIR  
LAST DOOMED  
ACT OF DEFIANCE  
AGAINST  
NIGHTMARE.

INTER-  
ESTING...



THE FINAL  
SHUTTLE FOR  
EVACUATION  
WILL BE  
LEAVING PORT  
N3 IN 30  
MINUTES

AGAIN.

THE FINAL  
SHUTTLE FOR  
EVACUATION  
WILL BE  
LEAVING PORT  
N3 IN...

BETTER'N  
EVER.

Thanks.

YEAH...

HEY,  
KAIN...  
ARE YOU  
FEELING  
BETTER  
NOW?

MY TRUE  
ENEMY LIES  
INSIDE  
NIGHTMARE'S  
BASE OF  
OPERATIONS.

MAYBE SHE  
WAS TRYING  
TO GIVE US  
SOME SPACE  
TO THINK  
THINGS OVER.

SHE  
DROPS  
US  
IN **THIS**  
DUMP!

ANISE  
IS GONE  
JUST LIKE  
THAT, AND  
WHAT DOES  
SHE DO?

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
WHAT A  
HEARTLESS  
MACHINE  
CANAL IS!

We're on the  
Universal Force's  
"most wanted" list,  
for crying out loud.  
What if someone  
finds us?

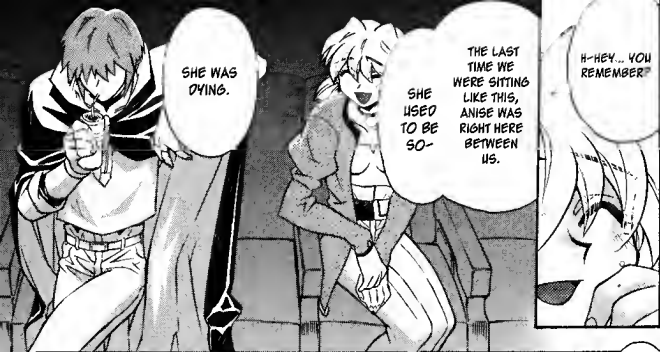
NOT  
THAT THERE'S  
ANYTHING FOR  
US TO THINK  
ABOUT.

WE'RE  
IN THIS  
TOO DEEP  
TO BACK  
OUT NOW.

BUT  
ALL OF  
SPACE IS  
FINISHED  
AS WELL.

THEN  
NOT ONLY  
ARE WE  
DOOMED...

IF WE CAN'T  
DESTROY HIM  
BEFORE HE'S  
REVIVED,



SHE WAS DYING.

SHE USED TO BE SO-

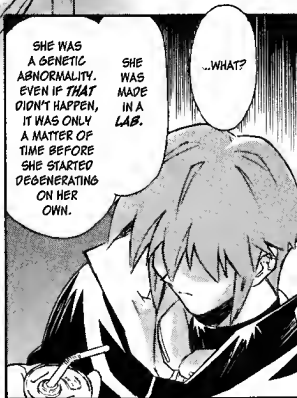
THE LAST TIME WE WERE SITTING LIKE THIS, ANISE WAS RIGHT HERE BETWEEN US.

H-HEY... YOU REMEMBER?



I WISH IT WASN'T TRUE, EITHER.

SH... SHE WHAT? THAT CAN'T BE TRUE... SHE WAS FINE UP UNTIL...



SHE WAS A GENETIC ABNORMALITY. EVEN IF THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN, IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE SHE STARTED DEGENERATING ON HER OWN.

SHE WAS MADE IN A LAB.

...WHAT?



BESIDES... IF SHE HADN'T SACRIFICED HERSELF, YOU AND I WOULDN'T BE SITTING HERE RIGHT NOW.

BUT THINK ABOUT IT. THAT COULD BE WHY CANAL DECIDED TO GO ALONG WITH WHAT ANISE TOLD HER TO DO WITHOUT A FIGHT.



ARE YOU  
GOING TO  
DIE ON ME,  
TOO?

KAIN...



SO I'LL  
THROW MY  
DICE IN  
WITH CANAL.  
I'M GOING TO  
FIGHT WITH  
HER.

SHE  
SAVED US.  
ANISE AND  
MY GRAND-  
MOTHER,  
BOTH.



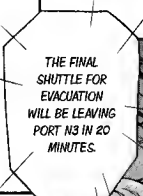
I'M NOT  
GOING  
ANYWHERE.

NOT  
NOW, NOT  
EVER!

WHAT  
ARE YOU,  
STUPID?! IF  
I ENDED  
UP DEAD,  
ANISE  
AND  
GRANNY  
WOULD  
NEVER  
REST IN  
PEACE!



NO ONE'S  
FORCING  
YOU TO COME  
WITH US IF  
YOU DON'T  
WANT TO.



THE FINAL  
SHUTTLE FOR  
EVACUATION  
WILL BE LEAVING  
PORT N3 IN 20  
MINUTES.



...OKAY.



I'M  
YOUR  
PARTNER,  
REMEM-  
BER?  
  
AND  
I'D WANT  
TO DO IT  
IN HONOR  
OF ANISE'S  
MEMORY,  
TOO...

...DON'T BE  
STUPID. OF  
COURSE I'M  
GOING WITH  
YOU.

BUT  
IT'S  
MORE  
THAN  
THAT.



WHAT  
ABOUT  
YOU?

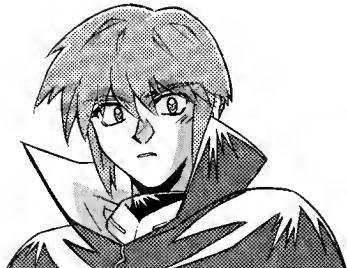


THEY WERE  
MURDERED BY  
NIGHTMARE.

I NEED  
TO DO IT FOR  
MY PARENTS. I  
LOST THEM BOTH  
A LONG, LONG  
TIME AGO...



THEIR  
DEATHS WERE  
MEANT TO  
WARN ME.



SOMEDAY  
I'D SETTLE  
THE SCORE.  
THAT'S WHAT  
KEPT ME GOING  
MOST DAYS.

LIKE IT  
OR NOT,  
I KNEW...

I JUST  
DID  
WHAT I  
NEEDED  
SO I  
COULD  
SURVIVE.

IN THE  
PROCESS,  
I ENDED UP  
DOING SOME  
THINGS I'M  
NOT TOO  
PROUD OF.

BUT I  
COULDN'T  
BRING  
MYSELF  
TO GET  
INVOLVED  
WITH  
NIGHTMARE.



I'VE GOT  
IT LOADED  
WITH REAL  
BULLETS.

HOW  
ABOUT THIS  
GUN, HUH?  
YOU LIKE  
IT?



THAT'S  
WHY I'M  
SO GOOD  
WITH A  
GUN NOW.

I FIGURED  
I'D NEED TO  
LEARN HOW  
TO SHOOT  
FOR WHEN  
I WOULD PUT  
A BULLET IN  
HIM ONE  
DAY.

...YOU...  
YOU'RE  
GOING  
TO KILL  
HIM?



WELL, THAT  
DEPENDS...

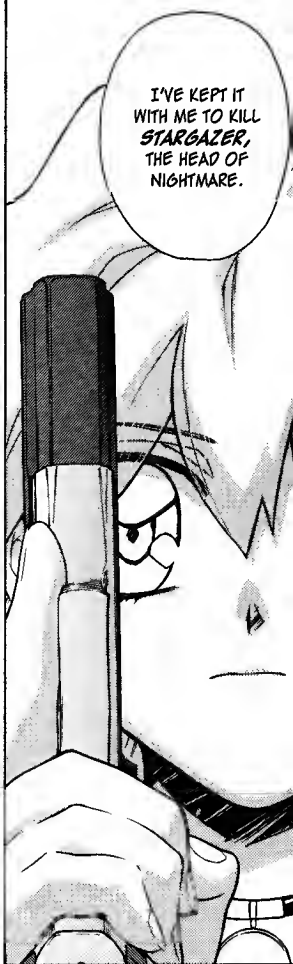
...HEY, IF  
I TOLD YOU  
SOMETHING,  
WOULD YOU  
PROMISE  
NOT TO GET  
MAD?

UGH!



H-Hey!  
What!?!?

JUST  
COME HERE  
FOR A  
SECOND!



I'VE KEPT IT  
WITH ME TO KILL  
**STARGAZER,**  
THE HEAD OF  
NIGHTMARE.



"Stargazer"

That's  
my real  
name.

"Millennium  
Feria"...

I HAVEN'T  
TOLD YOU  
MY REAL  
NAME.

EH?



...IT'S  
OKAY.

I JUST  
COULDN'T  
WORK UP  
THE GUTS  
TO SAY  
IT...

SORRY  
FOR NOT  
TELLING YOU.  
I DIDN'T MEAN  
TO LEAD YOU  
ON, OR ANY-  
THING.



...I'LL  
BET CANAL  
HAD YOU  
FIGURED  
OUT RIGHT  
FROM THE  
START.

SO, WILL  
YOU STILL  
LET ME  
FIGHT WITH  
YOU?



BUT I'M  
STARTING TO  
WONDER NOW  
IF MAYBE IT  
WAS FATE THAT  
DREW ME  
TO YOU AND  
CANAL.

CLAK

ALL  
RIGHT!!

OF COURSE  
I'D TELL  
YOU. WE'RE  
PARTNERS.

I'M  
KINDA  
SURPRISED  
YOU TOLD  
ME, BUT...  
THANKS.

Aye-  
aye!

I THINK  
IT'S ABOUT  
TIME WE  
HEADED  
BACK TO  
THE SWORD  
BREAKER.

Pshoo

!?

CANAL!  
WE'RE  
BACK.

WHAT  
THE HELL  
ARE YOU  
DOING!?

DON'T  
YOU KNOW  
US BETTER  
THAN  
THAT!?

THEN  
WHY'D YOU  
MAKE US GET  
OFF IN  
THE FIRST  
PLACE!?

Well,  
it's  
just...

I wasn't  
sure if you  
were coming  
back...

**STARGAZER'S**  
THE ONE  
CONTROLLING  
THE ENEMY  
LOST SHIP!  
WE TAKE HIM  
DOWN, AND  
THAT'S  
THE END OF  
EVERYTHING!

Oh,  
come  
on!

IF YOU  
AGREED TO  
COME ALONG,  
IT WOULD  
MEAN GETTING  
CAUGHT IN  
A BATTLE  
INVOLVING  
TECHNOLOGY  
OF UNTOLD  
POWER.

IT SHOULD  
BE OBVIOUS  
BY OUR NAMES,  
BUT BOTH I AND  
MY ENEMY ARE  
SHIPS CREATED  
BY A "LOST"  
CIVILIZATION.

I  
KNOW...

HE'S A  
LOST SHIP,  
TOO!?

SPREADER  
OF  
DARKNESS!?

IN ALL  
ACTUALITY,  
DARKSTAR...  
THE "SPREADER  
OF DARKNESS"  
IS THE ONE  
WHO'S REALLY  
PULLING THE  
STRINGS.

NO.  
STARGAZER  
AND THE ENEMY  
LOST SHIP ARE  
PARTNERS, IF  
ANYTHING.

HE IS.







I PRAY  
THIS  
MEMORY  
IS NEVER  
LOST.

EVEN IF  
MY BODY IS  
DESTROYED,

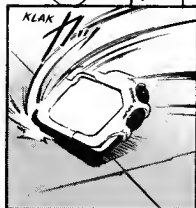
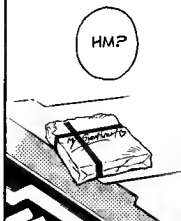
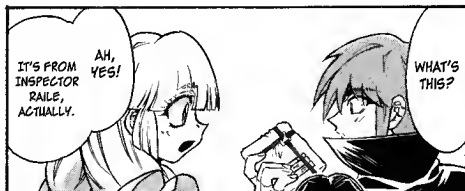
I'VE  
NEVER BEEN  
SO GRATEFUL  
FOR BEING  
BORN INTO  
THIS ERA.

THANK YOU...  
THANK YOU  
SO MUCH,  
BOTH OF  
YOU.

ROGER  
THAT!

AW,  
DON'T GET ALL  
MELODRAMATIC  
ON ME.

C'MON!  
LET'S GET  
THIS SHOW  
ON THE  
ROAD!

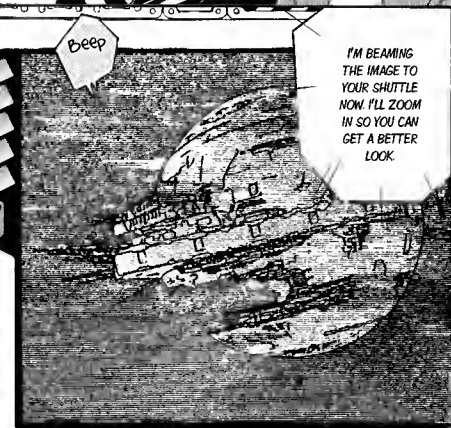




CONFIRMING  
TARGET  
VISUAL

GUESS  
OUR GUY  
MUST BE  
SOMEWHERE  
NEARBY,  
THEN.

LOOK...  
THIS IS ALL  
WRECKAGE  
FROM THE  
UNIVERSAL  
FORCE, ISN'T  
IT?



I'M BEAMING  
THE IMAGE TO  
YOUR SHUTTLE  
NOW. I'LL ZOOM  
IN SO YOU CAN  
GET A BETTER  
LOOK.



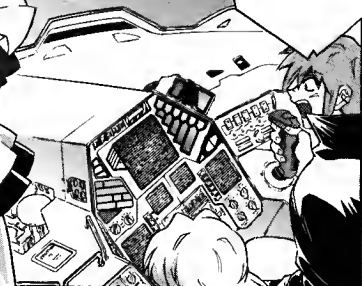


Beep  
beep

**THAT'S  
NIGHTMARE'S  
BASE!? THE  
THING'S A  
FORTRESS!**

OH MY  
GOODNESS,  
THEY CERTAINLY  
AREN'T ABOUT  
TO WELCOME  
US WITH OPEN  
ARMS, ARE  
THEY?

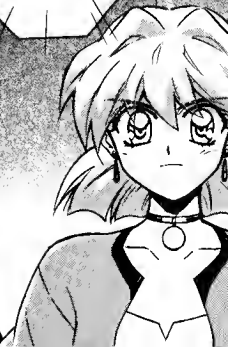
IS THAT  
A LOST  
SHIP!?



ROGER  
THAT.

I THINK  
THIS IS  
WHERE  
WE'LL BE  
SPLITTING  
UP.

KAIN,  
MILLY.





AND LET  
US WORRY  
ABOUT  
DARK STAR!

SEE YOU  
SOON,  
CANAL!



ARE YOU  
SURE YOU  
CAN HANDLE  
THIS ON YOUR  
OWN?



ALL RIGHT,  
YOU TWO. TRY  
TO COME BACK  
IN ONE PIECE,  
YOU HEAR?

OH, DON'T  
WORRY  
YOUR LITTLE  
HEAD. I'LL  
BE FINE.



THERE.



I'LL HAVE  
TO KEEP AS  
MUCH ENERGY  
IN MY RESERVES  
AS POSSIBLE,  
JUST TO BE ON  
THE SAFE  
SIDE.

AS FOR YOU,  
GORUN NOVA...  
THIS FIGHT IS  
BETWEEN US,  
NOW.



BUT  
BEFORE  
I SEE TO MY  
REVENGE, I  
MUST FIRST  
DEAL WITH  
YOUR NEW  
MASTER.

YOU-!



VRRN



HMPH...  
I HAVEN'T  
FORGOTTEN  
THE BLOW  
YOU STRUCK  
AGAINST ME  
SO LONG AGO,  
VOLFIED.

WITH OUR  
MASTERS GONE,  
THIS PROVIDES A  
MOST CONVENIENT  
OPPORTUNITY TO  
SETTLE OUR OLD  
SCORE.

best

FF!

BLAM!

NOT  
IF I HAVE  
ANYTHING TO  
SAY ABOUT  
IT, YOU  
WON'T!!

VRRMM!

!!  
PREPARE  
TO MEET  
YOUR  
END!

YOU WILL  
NOT HARM  
MY MASTER,  
GORUN  
NOVA!

PLEASE...  
BE SAFE...

KAIN,  
MILLY.

LOST:19 [THE LAST]

HA...  
HA HA HA!  
YOU DON'T  
STAND A CHANCE  
OF DEFEATING ME  
A SECOND TIME.  
CERTAINLY NOT  
WITHOUT YOUR  
MASTER HERE TO  
HELP YOU!

I MUST  
FINISH  
THIS AS  
QUICKLY AS  
POSSIBLE.

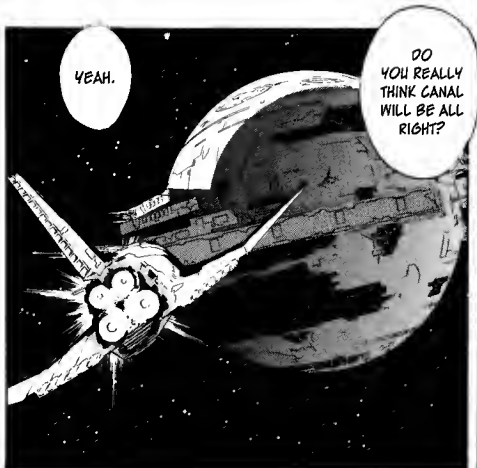
BUT FOR  
THE PEOPLE  
JOINING ME  
IN THIS  
FIGHT...

WE'LL  
SEE  
ABOUT  
THAT,  
WON'T  
WE?

I  
SHALL DO  
EVERYTHING  
IN MY  
POWER  
TO STOP  
YOU!!

BLAST IT...!  
MY ENERGY  
WILL NEVER  
HOLD OUT  
AT THIS  
RATE...





YEAH.

DO  
YOU REALLY  
THINK CANAL  
WILL BE ALL  
RIGHT?



AND  
I'D PUT  
MONEY  
ON THAT  
"SOME-  
ONE"  
BEING  
STAR-  
GAZER.

IT COULD  
BE THAT  
SOMEONE'S  
LETTING US  
INSIDE.



IT'S BEEN  
SMOOTH  
SAILING EVER  
SINCE THAT  
LOST SHIP  
SHOWED  
UP.

FRANKLY,  
I'M MORE  
WORRIED  
ABOUT HOW  
QUIET THIS  
FORTRESS  
IS.

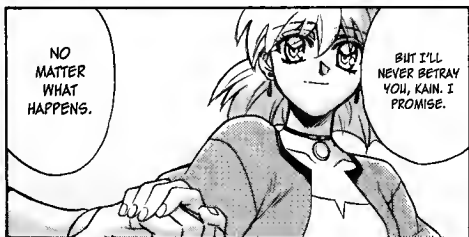


YEAH.

BUT IT  
MAKES ME  
WONDER...



ALL SO HE  
CAN DRAG ME  
DOWN INTO THE  
DARK WORLD  
HE'S CREATED.



NO  
MATTER  
WHAT  
HAPPENS.

BUT I'LL  
NEVER BETRAY  
YOU, KAIN. I  
PROMISE.



I TRUST  
YOU,  
MILLY.



LOOK  
AT ALL THESE  
BODIES, THOUGH...  
WHAT THE HELL  
HAPPENED IN  
HERE?

'BOUT  
DAMN  
TIME.

WELL...  
IF I'M RIGHT,  
THIS PASSAGE  
SHOULD LEAD US  
RIGHT INTO THE  
HEART OF THE  
FORTRESS.

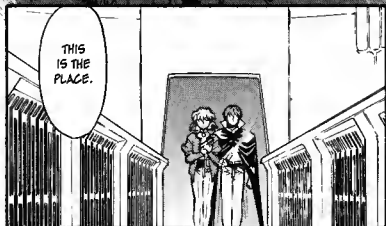
Sh-shut UP,  
Kain! Just  
pretend you  
don't see  
them.

It's different  
when all you're  
doing is shooting  
down a ship!

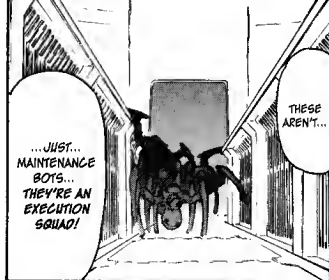
YEAH, YEAH.  
IT'S JUST...  
WE'VE COME  
ALL THIS WAY  
WITHOUT SEEING  
A SINGLE LIVING  
PERSON. SOME-  
THING WEIRD'S  
GOING ON  
HERE...

!?

VREE  
#11..



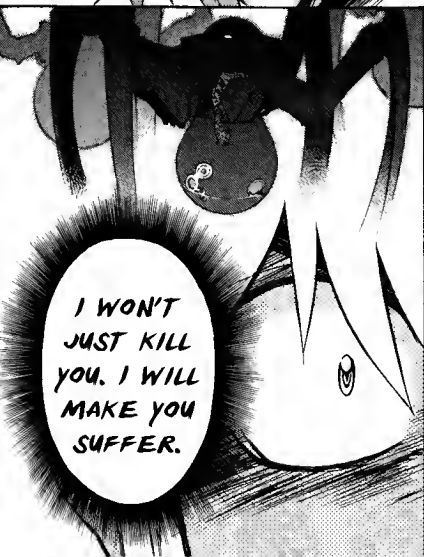




THESE  
AREN'T...



WAIT...  
WHY DIDN'T  
THEY KILL ME  
WHEN THEY  
HAD THE  
SHOT...?



WHAT  
DID  
YOU...?

WELCOME,  
MILLENNIUM.

IT'S  
BEEN  
FAR TOO  
LONG.

I BEAR NO ILL  
WILL TOWARD THE  
BOY, PERSONALLY.  
HE'S SIMPLY FUEL  
FOR THE DARKNESS,  
JUST AS EVERY  
OTHER HUMAN IN  
EXISTENCE.

KAIN?  
KAIN!?



DARK  
STAR...

STARGAZER  
...!

WHEN THE TIME  
HAS COME FOR  
HIM TO SOW HIS  
PLANETARY SEEDS  
OF DESTRUCTION  
ONCE MORE,  
MILLENNIUM,  
I WISH FOR YOU  
TO BE HERE AT  
MY SIDE.

DARK STAR IS  
ON THE VERGE  
OF AWAKENING.  
ALL HE REQUIRES  
NOW IS A SMALL  
PUSH OF DARK  
ENERGY.

Shwip

THE ONLY  
REASON I'M  
HERE IS TO PUT  
A STOP TO YOU  
AND THIS CRAZY  
SCHEME OF  
YOURS!

N-NOT  
ON YOUR  
LIFE!

WHAT!?

YOU  
CAN REFUSE,  
OF COURSE. BUT  
KNOW THAT YOU  
WILL ONLY SHARE  
THE SAME FATE AS  
YOUR PARENTS  
IF YOU DO.

I'VE DECIDED  
TO GIVE YOU THE  
PRIVILEGE OF BEING  
THE ONE TO OPEN  
THE DOOR ON THIS  
GALACTIC WAVE OF  
DESTRUCTION.

LET IT  
NEVER BE  
SAID THAT YOU  
LACK SPIRIT,  
MILLENNIUM.

HA-  
HA-  
HA!





IT HAS BEEN  
MY DREAM TO  
CREATE THE PERFECT  
WORLD, VOID OF  
BOTH HAPPINESS AND  
STRIFE. A WORLD OF  
PURE, ABSOLUTE...  
NOTHING.



THEY  
WERE  
FOOLS.

WE HAD A  
LONG-STANDING  
DISAGREEMENT  
OVER THE MEANING  
OF JUSTICE, AND  
I MADE IT A  
MORTAL  
ISSUE.



...MY...



I USED  
THEM AS  
SACRIFICES  
TO BRING THAT  
DREAM TO  
FRUITION.



...AND  
YOU...

MY PARENTS  
LOVED ME FROM  
THE DAY I WAS  
BORN.

WE  
WERE SO...  
HAPPY...

THEY  
FLED OF  
THEIR OWN  
VOLUTION.

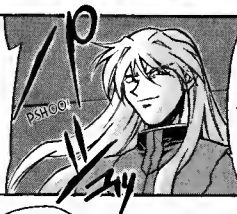


THEY WERE  
GIVEN THE  
OPTION OF  
WORKING WITH  
STARGAZER,  
BUT THEY  
REFUSED.

WAS YOUR  
DREAM MORE  
IMPORTANT  
THAN THE LIVES  
OF MY  
PARENTS!?

YOU  
MURDERED  
THEM!  
AND FOR  
WHAT? AN  
IDEAL?!

YOU  
SHUT  
UP!



THAT'S  
ALL  
THERE IS  
TO IT.

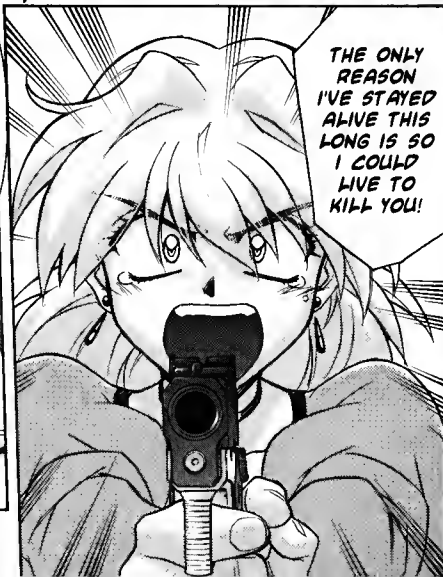


THERE  
IS TRULY  
NO BETTER  
CANDIDATE  
TO UNLOCK  
YOUR  
AMBITIONS  
THAN THIS  
GIRL.

HEH HEH...  
SHE CARRIES  
YOUR BLOOD  
IN HER VEINS,  
STARGAZER.  
NO DOUBT.



THE ONLY  
REASON  
I'VE STAYED  
ALIVE THIS  
LONG IS SO  
I COULD  
LIVE TO  
KILL YOU!





WH-!?

AND WITH  
MY DEATH,  
DARK STAR  
WILL BE  
AWAKENED.

IT WAS  
I WHO KILLED  
YOUR PARENTS,  
MILLENNIUM.



Stay  
back...

...No...  
St...

BUT  
THE SOUL  
INSIDE MY  
BODY IS  
OF DARK  
STAR.

I DIDN'T  
THINK IT WAS  
SO HARD  
TO GRASP.  
PHYSICALLY, I  
AM A CLONE  
OF STAR-  
GAZER.



IT...  
WHAT!?



YOU KNOW  
VERY WELL  
WHAT AWAITS  
YOU...

DO IT,  
MILLENNIUM.  
KILL THE MAN,  
AND AVENGE  
THE MURDER  
OF YOUR  
PARENTS!  
IF YOU  
DON'T...

WHAT  
WILL IT  
BE?

Aah...  
Aaah!

AVENGE  
YOUR PARENTS,  
AND DOOM  
THE REST OF  
CIVILIZATION.

DO  
IT!

Aa...  
Ah.



A  
A  
A  
A  
A  
!!

AA...

SPREADER OF...  
DARKNESS...!

GET  
AWAY...  
FROM  
MILLY...

!?

WHAM!







I  
REMEMBER  
NOW...

...cut of  
the same  
cloth.

...are  
creatures  
of the  
darkness...



HE STOOD  
OVER THEIR  
DEAD BODIES  
AND TOLD ME  
THE SAME  
THING...

HE MURDERED  
MOM AND DAD  
RIGHT BEFORE  
MY EYES...



EVERYTHING  
WENT DARK

AND  
THEN...

MILLY-



I'VE  
BETRAYED  
RAIN

MILLY!

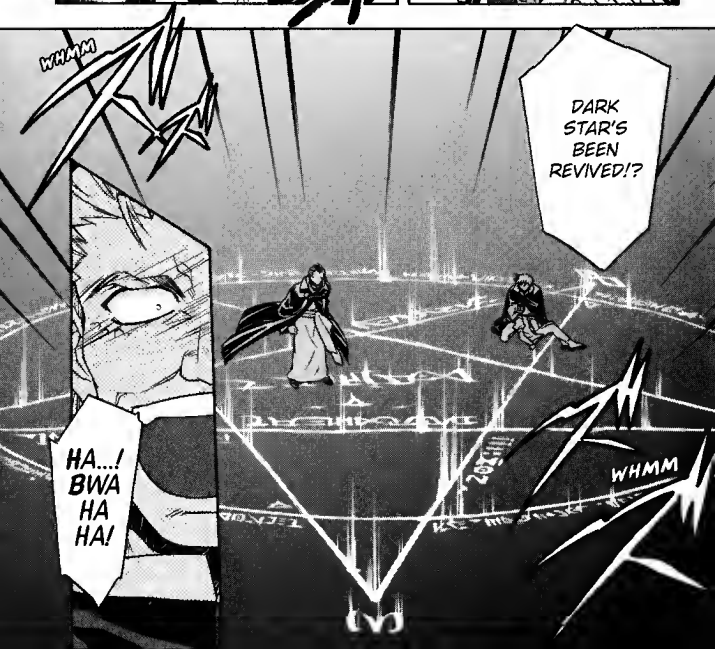
WHAT  
HAVE I  
DONE



...Ha...  
Ha-ha.

That's  
it.

Millennium,  
you and I...







...IS THE  
FORTRESS  
ITSELF!?

DARK  
STAR...



Ah...



!!

AND  
BRING FORTH  
A NIGHTMARE  
FROM WHICH THEY  
WILL NEVER  
AWAKE!

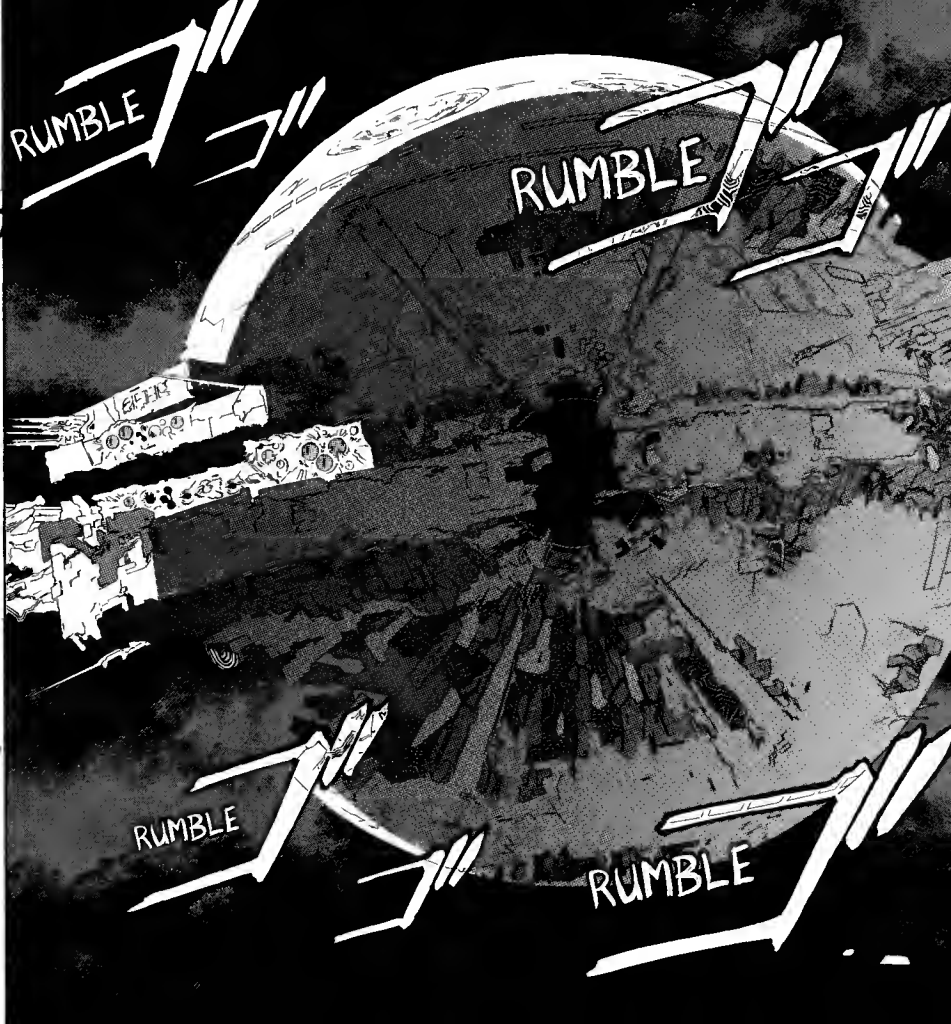
HA  
HA HA  
HA HA  
HA!

LET  
EVERYTHING  
THAT LIVES  
AND BREATHE  
BE PLUNGED  
INTO THE  
DARK ABYSS,

NOW MY  
DREAM WILL  
FINALLY BE  
REALIZED!

BWA  
HA  
HA HA  
HA!

HA...  
BWA  
HA  
HA HA  
HA!



VWWM

IN THE  
NAME  
OF THE  
GOLDEN  
LORD, I  
ORDER  
YOU:

HEAR ME,  
BRINGER OF  
DARKNESS!

BOW YOUR  
HEAD, AND  
FALL TO  
YOUR  
KNEES!

VWWM

VWWM

IT'S  
THIS OR  
NOTHING!

I CALL  
UPON YOU  
IN THE  
NAME OF  
CHAOS!!

VWWM





DARK  
STAR'S  
GONE  
SILENT!?  
THAT'S...  
IMPOSSIBLE!

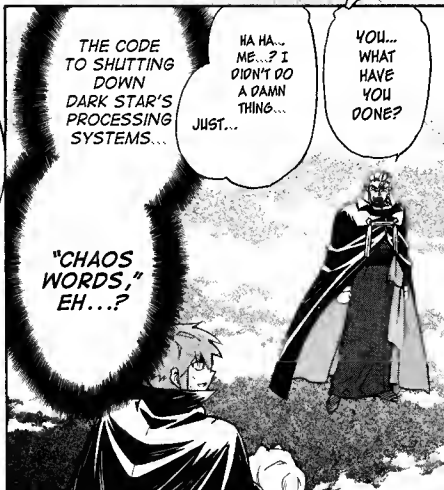


IT... IT  
WORKED...



NEVER  
THOUGHT  
I'D LIVE  
LONG  
ENOUGH  
TO HAVE  
SOMETHING  
TO THANK  
YOU FOR,  
RAILE.

CALL IT  
A LITTLE...  
MAGIC.



THE CODE  
TO SHUTTING  
DOWN  
DARK STAR'S  
PROCESSING  
SYSTEMS...

HA HA...  
ME...? I  
DIDN'T DO  
A DAMN  
THING...  
JUST...

YOU...  
WHAT  
HAVE  
YOU  
DONE?

"CHAOS  
WORDS,"  
EH...?

**YOU  
INSOLENT  
WRETCH!**



...YOU...

NOW  
IF YOU'LL...  
EXCUSE ME...  
I'M GONNA  
SEE THAT THIS  
DARK STAR'S  
DESTROYED  
ONCE... AND  
FOR ALL...



**YOU  
WILL NEVER  
DESTROY  
DARK STAR!**

YOU LISTEN  
TO ME NOW,  
"MASTER OF  
VOLFIED!"  
  
UNLESS  
YOU  
DEFEAT  
ME,





DAMN YOU,  
IS THIS A  
SUICIDE  
ATTACK!?  
YOU AIM TO  
DESTROY  
YOURSELF...  
AND TAKE  
ME DOWN  
WITH YOU!?

Oh, don't  
be absurd.  
I'm just a  
little short  
on time,  
that's all!?



AND NEXT,  
GORUN NOVA,  
I'M GOING TO  
PUMP YOU FULL  
OF EVERY  
LAST BULLET  
I HAVE LEFT  
IN MY LEAP  
RAILGUN!

**GWAA...  
AGH!**

THIS IS  
GOODBYE,  
GORUN  
NOVA.

THAT  
CAN ONLY  
MEAN ON  
THING...  
KAIN IS  
IN THERE  
WAITING  
FOR ME.

I SAW  
DARK STAR  
RE-AWAKEN  
WITH MY  
OWN EYES,  
BUT HE'S  
COME TO A  
STANDSTILL,  
NOW.

HA-HA...  
IT'S FUNNY  
HOW THINGS  
CAN BE

I MUST  
HURRY....!

I NEVER  
USED TO  
BE SO  
RECKLESS  
IN A FIGHT.





...Kain...



THEN YOU  
MUST STRIKE  
ME DOWN,  
FIRST.

COME!  
IF YOU HAVE  
ANY HOPE OF  
DEFEATING  
DARK STAR...

BUT AS  
LONG AS  
HE'S ALIVE, I  
DON'T STAND  
A CHANCE  
OF TAKING  
DARK STAR  
DOWN.

WHAT'S  
WRONG?  
LOST YOUR  
NERVE?

I'VE NEVER  
SEEN PSYCHIC  
LEVELS LIKE  
HIS  
BEFORE...



**STAR-  
GAZER!**

**LET'S  
DO  
THIS,**

**LIKE  
HELL I  
HAVE!**



**I CAN'T  
LOSE! NOT  
NOW!**



IT'S  
MAKING MY  
GUNSHOT  
WOUND  
THROB LIKE  
MAD.

HE'S GOT  
ONE HELL OF  
A SWORD-  
ARM ON HIM.  
THAT'S FOR  
SURE



VFFN

GH!



FOR ALL  
YOUR TALK, I  
HAD EXPECTED  
MORE OF A  
CHALLENGE.



Agh!



YOU  
DISAPPOINT  
ME!

SWIP!



FOOLISH  
BOY.

DID YOU  
REALLY THINK  
YOU HAVE THE  
SKILL TO FIGHT  
EVENLY WITH  
ME?



SKFF



LOST:20 **[THE END]**



THE REAL  
FIGHT...

I'M JUST  
GETTING  
WARMED-  
UP...

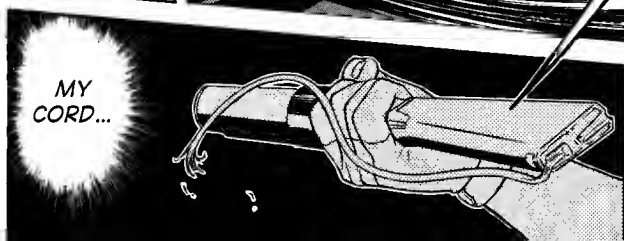


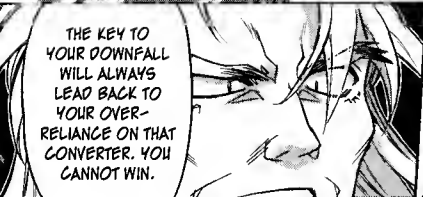
I NEED  
TO END  
THIS WITH  
MY NEXT  
STRIKE.

**STARTS  
NOW!**



I CAN'T  
KEEP THIS  
UP FOR  
MUCH  
LONGER.





THE KEY TO  
YOUR DOWNFALL  
WILL ALWAYS  
LEAD BACK TO  
YOUR OVER-  
RELIANCE ON THAT  
CONVERTER. YOU  
CANNOT WIN.



...Ngh.

IT'S  
A SHAME  
YOU'RE ONLY  
LEARNING  
THAT LESSON  
NOW.



GAH!



I'LL  
**NEVER**  
LOSE TO  
YOU.

HEH...  
MAYBE...  
YOU'RE  
RIGHT...  
'CEPT... ABOUT  
THAT...



HAH!

SO YOU  
STILL DEFY  
ME, ALICIA...  
EVEN FROM  
BEYOND THE  
GRAVE.



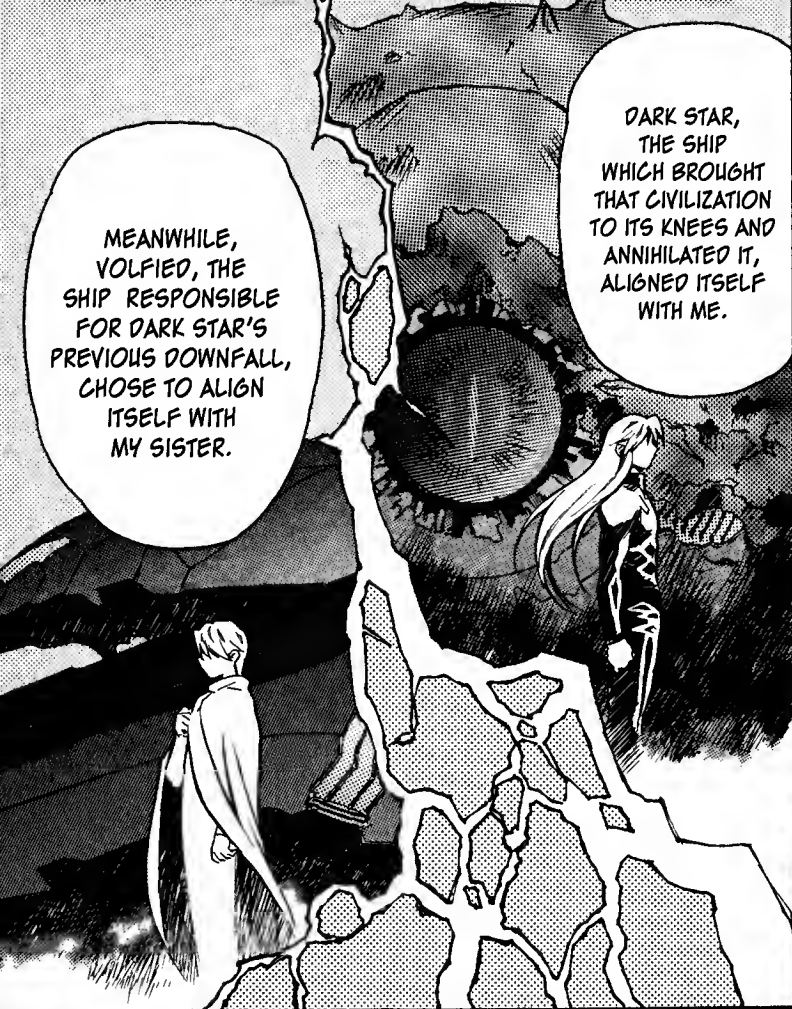
WHAT?  
THEN  
THAT  
MEANS...



...WAS MY  
YOUNGER  
SISTER.


KAIN  
BLUE-  
RIVER.  
YOUR  
GRAND-  
MOTHER,  
ALICIA...





MEANWHILE,  
VOLFIED, THE  
SHIP RESPONSIBLE  
FOR DARK STAR'S  
PREVIOUS DOWNFALL,  
CHOSE TO ALIGN  
ITSELF WITH  
MY SISTER.

DARK STAR,  
THE SHIP  
WHICH BROUGHT  
THAT CIVILIZATION  
TO ITS KNEES AND  
ANNIHILATED IT,  
ALIGNED ITSELF  
WITH ME.



ONCE,  
LONG  
AGO,  
  
TWO  
SENTIENT SHIPS,  
CREATED BY A  
LOST CIVILIZATION,  
WERE FOUND  
BURIED IN AN  
ANCIENT RUIN.

THEN  
THAT  
MAKES  
KAIN  
AND  
ME...



AND IN  
THE END,  
MY SISTER  
DESTROYED  
HERSELF...

AND  
TURNED  
ALICIA  
AGAINST  
ME.

VOLFIED  
USED HER AS  
A PUPPET,



BUT MY  
SISTER  
WAS A  
FOOL.

SHE  
DIES HERE,  
ALONG WITH  
THE INHERITOR  
OF ALICIA'S  
BLOOD AND  
WILL.

BUT  
AT LAST,  
VOLFIED'S  
TIME HAS  
COME TO  
AN END.

MY BODY'S  
NOT MOVING  
THE WAY I  
TELL IT TO...

COME  
ON...!

haah  
はあ  
はあ  
はあ  
はあ

wobble

NOT  
IF I...  
CAN  
HELP  
IT...

HEH...  
HEH  
HEH...

DOES  
IT KNOW  
INSTINCTIVELY  
THAT I CAN'T  
WIN...?

...IS IT  
BECAUSE  
OF MY  
INJURIES...?  
OR...



TRUSTING  
ME... ME, OF  
ALL PEOPLE,  
WITH YOUR  
LIVES.

HEAR  
THE DYING  
SCREAM  
OF THIS  
FOOLISH  
SOUL...

DARK  
STAR...

GRANNY,  
ANISE... I  
DON'T KNOW  
WHAT EITHER  
OF YOU WERE  
THINKING...



AND  
MAY YOU  
REVIVE  
ONCE  
MORE  
UNTO  
THIS DARK  
ABYSS!

OF ALL  
PEOPLE...

YOU  
TRUSTED...  
ME!

WITH  
YOUR  
LIVES...

"KAIN,

Jab

HOW WOULD  
YOU LIKE TO  
HAVE THIS  
SHIP ONCE  
I'M GONE?"



GATHER  
YOUR  
MIND...

"I'LL  
PROTECT  
YOU, BIG  
BROTHER."



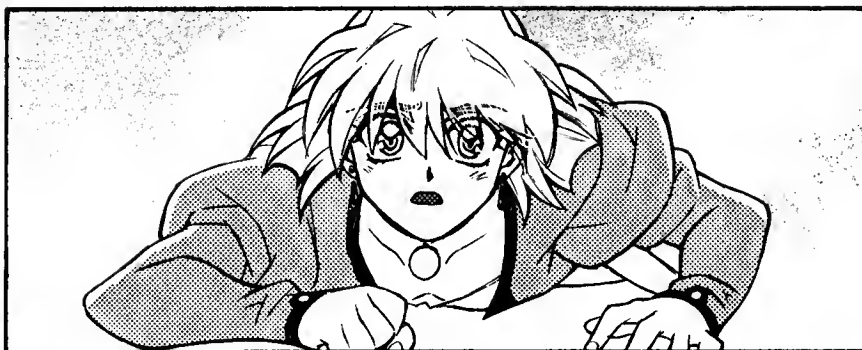
DO  
NOT FEAR  
DEATH.



DO NOT BE  
LED BY YOUR  
EMOTIONS.

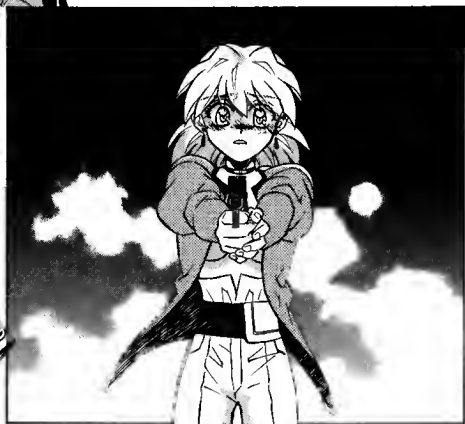


TO A  
SINGLE  
POINT.













Get away  
from him,  
Kain!

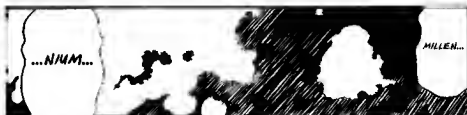
What  
the-!?

BANG

BANG



Nraa-  
aagh!



...NIIM...

MILLEN...



WHY... DO YOU  
REFUSE TO  
JOIN ME...?

YOU SHARE  
THE SAME  
BLOOD AS I...  
THE BLOOD OF  
DARKNESS RUNS  
THROUGH YOUR  
VEINS...



**FAMILY  
TIES MEAN  
NOTHING  
TO ME!**

**YOU HAVE  
NO RIGHT  
TO TELL ME  
WHAT I CAN  
AND CAN  
NOT DO!**

**YOU  
CANNOT  
REFUSE  
ME...  
WE  
ARE...**

**...IS  
THAT HIS  
ASTRAL  
BODY?!**



**YOU  
ARE  
NOTHING  
TO ME!**

**SO  
DON'T  
YOU  
EVER,  
EVER  
SHOW YOUR  
FACE IN  
FRONT OF ME  
AGAIN!**

**BANG**



ARE KAIN...  
YOU ALL  
RIGHT?

THAT  
WAS...  
INSANE.

CANAL AND I  
ARE GOING TO  
DESTROY THIS  
PLACE.

DON'T  
WORRY ABOUT  
ME. YOU...  
YOU HAVE  
TO GET OUT  
OF HERE,  
MILLY.





YOU'RE SO  
STRAIGHT-  
FORWARD.  
ALMOST TO  
A FAULT.



IF  
THAT'S WHAT  
YOU WANT,  
KAIN. THAT'S  
WHAT I'LL  
DO.

...I KNOW,  
I KNOW.

...JUST  
SO YOU  
KNOW,  
I...



I'LL MEET  
YOU THERE...  
I PROMISE.

I WANT  
YOU TO GO  
TO GRANNY'S  
HOUSE AND  
WAIT FOR  
ME.



I KNOW...  
THAT  
COULDN'T  
HAVE BEEN  
EASY FOR  
YOU.

STARGAZER WAS  
MANIPULATING  
YOU... WASN'T  
HE?



I'LL  
BE THERE  
WHEN YOU  
COME.

NO  
MATTER  
HOW LONG  
IT TAKES,  
NO MATTER  
HOW LONG  
I HAVE TO  
WAIT...

YEAH...

YOU HAVE  
TO COME  
BACK,  
KAIN.



YOU...  
HAVE  
TO.



OKAY...

OKAY,  
KAIN...

I'M  
SORRY.

THEN  
I GUESS...  
I'D BETTER  
GET THIS DARK  
STAR BUSINESS  
OUTTA THE WAY  
AND GET HOME  
SOON...

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE

RUMBLE



Dark Star  
has resumed  
operation...!

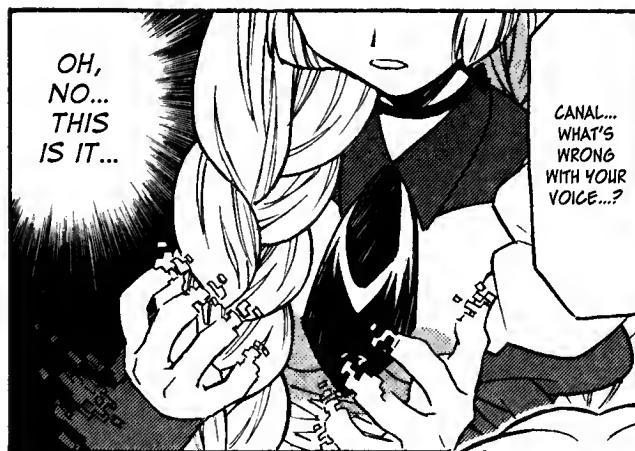


I'm  
sorry  
it's  
taken  
me so  
long...

CANAL,  
WHERE  
ARE  
YOU!?

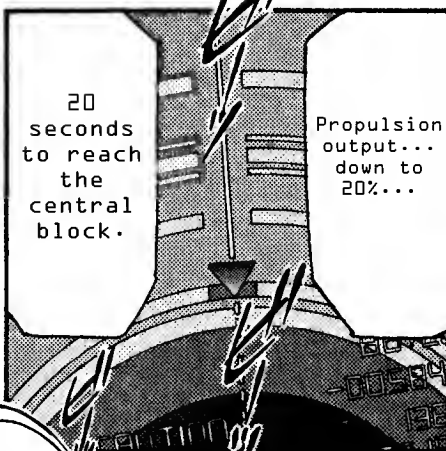
I'll  
be there  
shortly.

Kain!



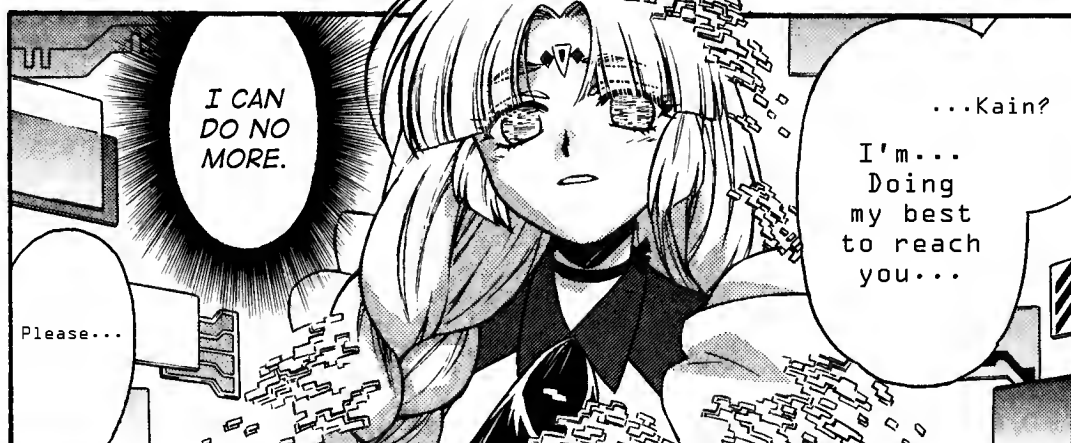
OH,  
NO...  
THIS  
IS IT...

CANAL...  
WHAT'S  
WRONG  
WITH YOUR  
VOICE...?



20  
seconds  
to reach  
the  
central  
block.

Propulsion  
output...  
down to  
20%...



I CAN  
DO NO  
MORE.

Please...

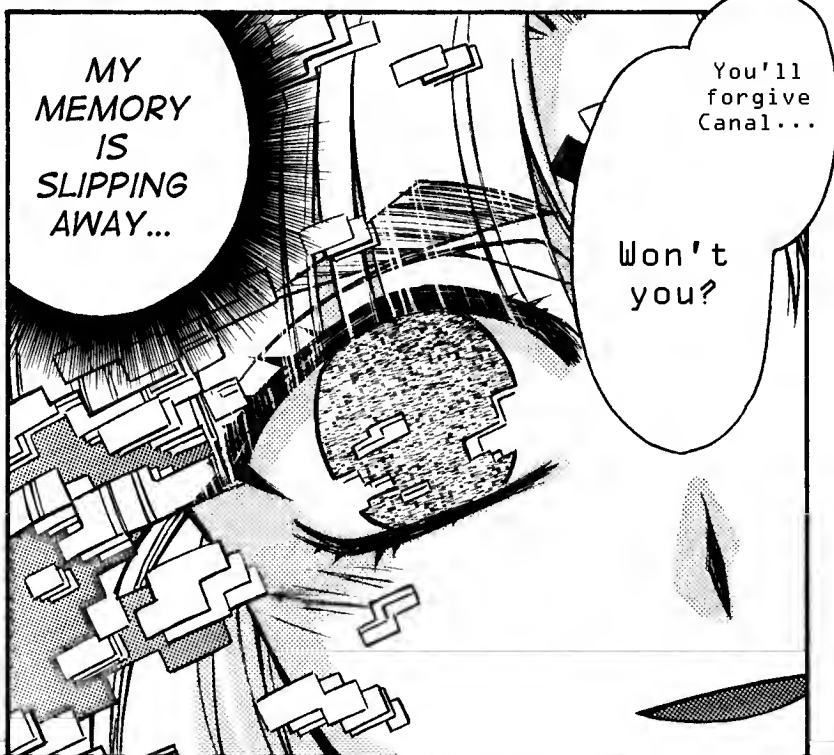
...Kain?

I'm...  
Doing  
my best  
to reach  
you...



CANAL!

CANAL,  
DO YOU  
READ  
ME!?



MY  
MEMORY  
IS  
SLIPPING  
AWAY...

You'll  
forgive  
Canal...

Won't  
you?







YOU'VE  
GOTTEN SO  
BIG...  
SINCE I  
LAST SAW  
YOU...

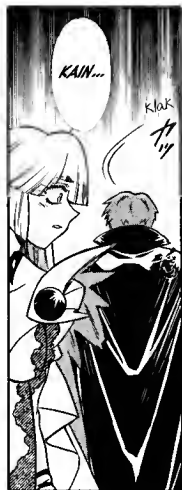
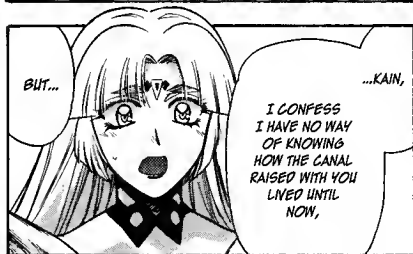
CANAL!

KAIN.

SHE...  
SHE  
WHAT!?

SHE  
PRIORITIZED  
THE SURVIVAL  
OF HER  
OPERATIONAL  
ENVIRONMENT  
OVER HER-  
SELF,  
AND HAS  
CONSEQUENTLY  
BEEN  
DESTROYED.  
I'M SORRY.

THE  
CANAL YOU  
WERE RAISED  
WITH IS NO  
MORE.





PROVIDED  
THE HULL IS  
VIRTUALLY  
RECOVERED.

AFFIRM-  
ATIVE,

IS THE  
PLASMA  
BLAST STILL  
OPERATIONAL?



WE'VE BEEN  
TOGETHER  
A LONG...  
LONG TIME,  
AFTER ALL.

YEAH...  
I KNOW.

KAIN,  
I MUST  
WARN  
YOU...

READY  
THE  
PLASMA  
BLAST  
TO FIRE.



INITIATE  
PSY-  
ENERGY  
CHARGE.



LET'S  
REPAIR THE  
HULL AND GO  
TO GRANNY'S  
PLACE.

ONCE WE  
WRAP THINGS  
UP HERE,

CANAL,

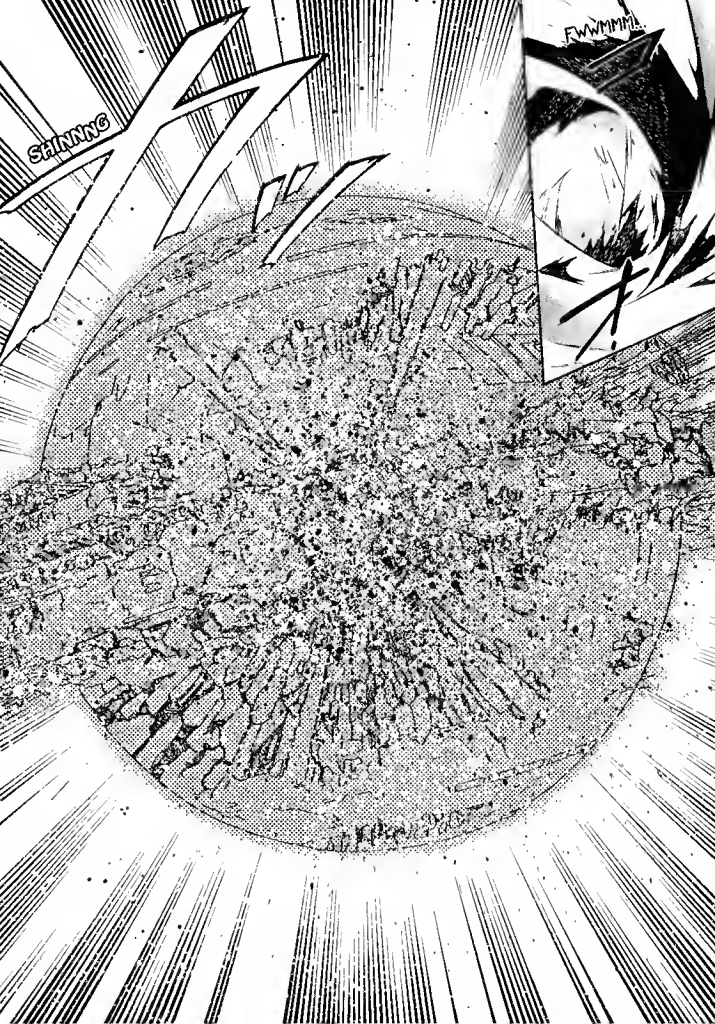


BUT  
THERE'S  
SOMEBODY  
WAITING  
FOR US  
THERE.

YOU  
PROBABLY  
DON'T  
REMEMBER  
HER  
ANYMORE,

YES?





KAIN...  
CANAL...

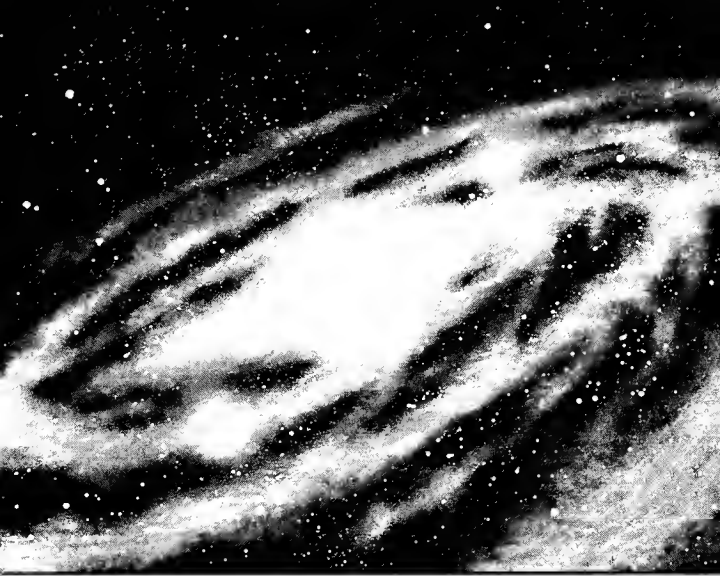


I'LL WAIT  
NO MATTER  
HOW LONG  
IT TAKES.

YOU'LL  
COME  
BACK  
ALIVE,  
WON'T  
YOU?

I'LL BE  
WAITING  
FOR YOU,  
YOU HEAR  
ME?







HEH  
HEH...  
DON'T  
THANK ME.  
THANK THE  
HERO WHO  
MADE IT ALL  
POSSIBLE.

THAT'S  
GOOD  
ENOUGH  
FOR ME!  
I WOULDN'T  
BE HAVING  
DINNER WITH  
YOU AGAIN IF  
THEY WERE  
STILL AROUND,  
INSPECTOR  
RAILE.

AFTER  
LOSING  
THEIR  
LEADER,  
THEY FELL  
RIGHT TO  
PIECES.

HARD TO  
BELIEVE A  
MAJOR CRIME  
SYNDICATE LIKE  
NIGHTMARE  
COULD  
PRACTICALLY  
VANISH  
OVERNIGHT.

EH?

WHEREVER  
YOU ARE,  
KAIN, SHOW  
UP SOON  
SO I KNOW  
YOU'RE  
ALL RIGHT.

PROBABLY  
THE LAST  
PERSON  
YOU'D EVER  
EXPECT.

I  
WONDER  
WHO THAT  
WAS?

COME TO  
THINK OF IT,  
SOMEBODY  
HAD TO HAVE  
BLOWN UP  
NIGHTMARE'S  
HQ.

Maybe.

YOU MIGHT  
BE THE LAST  
PERSON I'D  
EXPECT...

IT'S  
RUDE TO  
POINT,  
NINA.

Staaaaare

THERE  
ARE STILL  
SOME JOBS  
I NEED YOU  
TO TAKE  
OVER FOR  
ME.

4...  
YES?

BUT IT'S  
HARD ON  
A CITY GIRL,  
LIVING OUT  
IN THE  
STICKS.  
IF  
YOU  
ASKED  
ME  
HOW  
I FELT  
ABOUT  
IT,

I'D  
HATE  
TO SAY  
THIS TO  
KAIN'S  
FACE,



STILL,  
ROUGHING  
IT HAS ITS  
ADVANTAGES.

FOR ONE  
THING,  
IT'S A  
CONSTANT  
REMINDER  
THAT I'M  
STILL  
ALIVE.

NOW I  
JUST HAVE  
TO FIX THE  
WALL AND  
PAINT IT.  
LET'S SEE...  
WHAT  
ELSE...



I'D SAY  
IT'S  
PRIMITIVE  
AND  
BONE-  
TIRING.

PHEW...  
THAT TAKES  
CARE OF THE  
LAUNDRY.



WHICH  
IS WHY...

BUT  
AT THE  
SAME TIME,  
IT DRIVES  
HOME THE  
FACT THAT  
YOU AND  
CANAL AREN'T  
HERE WITH  
ME...



JUST  
SO LONG  
AS I CAN  
SEE YOU  
IN MY  
DREAMS.

I DON'T  
MIND EVEN  
IF ALL THAT  
COMES TO  
ME ARE  
NIGHT-  
MARES,

WHENEVER  
I GET  
LONELY,  
I SIMPLY  
CLOSE MY  
EYES.

ANISE?

A...

DON'T  
GO!

OH...  
NO!

I WASN'T  
SURE IF WHAT  
HAPPENED  
THEN WAS  
REAL, OR IF  
IT WAS ONLY  
A DREAM.

point

BECAUSE  
AT THAT  
MOMENT...

I WAS THE  
HAPPIEST  
I'D EVER  
FELT IN MY  
ENTIRE  
LIFE.

AND TO  
BE HONEST,  
IT DIDN'T  
MATTER.

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